Twenty-Eighth Annual Report

ISIANA CONFERENCE – THE METHODIST CHURCH

Woman's Society of Christian Service

including

The Wesleyan Service Guild

Theme: "A Cup of Water"

THE METHODIST CHURCH

1967-1968

CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES — 1968-1969

First Period — June 1, 1968 to November 1, 1968

June 14-16 . . . . . Jurisdiction Guild Annual Meeting, Mt. Sequoyah
June 17-21 . . . . . West Gulf Regional School of Christian Mission, Mt. Sequoyah, Fayetteville, Arkansas
June 21 . . . . Organization of South Central Jurisdiction—Guild Society, Mt. Sequoyah
June 24-27 . . . . South Central Jurisdiction Missionary Conference, Mt. Sequoyah
June 15-19 . . . Conference School of Christian Mission, Centenary College of Louisiana, Shreveport
July 19-21 . . . . . Conference Guild Weekend, Centenary College, Shreveport
October . . . . . Call to Prayer and Self-Denial
October 15-17 . . . . . Mid-Year Meeting of Conference Executive Committee, Natchitoches
October . . . . . Guild Executive Committee Meeting, Alexandria

Second Period — November 1, 1968 to June 1, 1969

November 1 . . . . . World Community Day
November 5 . . . . . Send Evaluation Report to District Officers
February . . . . . Election of Officers of Women's Society and Guild, Send names to District Secretary
March . . . . . World Day of Prayer
March 10-11 . . . . . Conference Executive Committee Women's Society
March 12-14 . . . . . Annual Meeting of Conference Women's Society, First United Methodist Church, Alexandria
March 15-16 . . . . . Annual Meeting of Conference Wesleyan Service Guild, First United Methodist Church, Alexandria
March-April . . . . . Annual District Meetings of Women's Society

District	Church	Date
Alexandria	Winnfield	March 26
Baton Rouge	Hammond	April 16
Lafayette	First Church, Houma	March 25
Lake Charles	Simpson Church, Lake Charles	April 24
Monroe	Delhi	April 3
New Orleans	Rayne Memorial, New Orleans	April 9
Ruston	Haynesville	
Shreveport	Noel Memorial, Shreveport	March 27

April 6 . . . . . Easter Sunday
May . . . . . Officer Training Day in each District
May 2 . . . . . May Fellowship Day

Summer 1969

June . . . . . West Gulf Regional School of Christian Mission, Mt. Sequoyah
July 21-25 . . . . Conference School of Christian Mission, Centenary College, Shreveport
July 26-27 . . . . . Conference Guild Weekend, Centenary College, Shreveport

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LOUISIANA CONFERENCE

THE METHODIST CHURCH

Annual meeting held at

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

Shreveport, Louisiana

March 13-15, 1968

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To these beloved women

PRESIDENTS

of the

LOUISIANA WOMAN'S SOCIETY

of

CHRISTIAN SERVICE

who belong to that endless line of splendor of Methodist women of vision, courage, and consecration; each of whom has made her own unique contribution of inspired and inspiring leadership, this

TWENTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL REPORT

is gratefully and lovingly

DEDICATED.

Mrs. George S. Sexton, Jr.
1940–1941
South Central Jurisdiction
President, 1941–48

Mrs. Charles N. Cadwallader
1954–1958

Mrs. L. B. Kilpatrick
1958–1962

Mrs. John B. Pollard
1941–1946

Mrs. Glenn E. Laskey
1946–1954
Woman's Division President
1964–1968

Mrs. G. W. Dameron
1962–1966

Mrs. C. B. McGowan
1966–

HISTORICAL PAGE

Membership and Financial History

Year	Membership WSCS	Membership WSG	Giving*
1940	10,774	None	$ 32,175.00
1941	10,360	642	40,118.45
1942	9,164	673	45,822.73
1943	8,574	705	50,698.08
1944	7,930	789	63,705.95
1945	8,589	977	67,874.58
1946-47	9,304	1173	77,957.93
1947-48	9,707	1308	95,626.78
1948-49	10,100	1443	100,214.01
1949-50	10,944	1637	101,472.32
1950-51	11,855	1701	108,344.98
1951-52	12,125	1689	116,483.71
1952-53	12,686	1839	125,232.38
1953-54	13,115	1926	141,225.25
1954-55	13,310	1863	146,269.53
1955-56	13,813	1875	150,957.47
1956-57	13,994	1968	155,947.42
1957-58	13,998	2002	160,797.97
1958-59	13,964	2039	161,745.66
1959-60	13,704	2172	167,080.34
1960-61	13,581	2172	167,905.51
1961-62	13,782	2194	171,232.32
1962-63	13,290	1933	170,536.09
1963-64	12,965	1917	169,913.25
1964-65	13,449	1833	177,165.73
1965-66	13,002	1825	185,934.65
1966-67	13,068	1796	187,800.72
1967-68	12,841	1785	196,883.13

* Total giving includes figures for the Wesleyan Service Guild.

Annual Meetings

1940–First Methodist Church, Alexandria, October 23, Charter Meeting
1941–Noel Memorial Methodist Church, Shreveport, April 29-May 1.
1942–Trinity Methodist Church, Ruston, April 14-16.
1943–First Methodist Church, Monroe, March 30-April 1.
1944–First Methodist Church, Crowley, March 28-30.
1945–No Annual Meeting, Executive Meeting only.
1946–First Methodist Church, Baton Rouge, March 19-21.
1947–First Methodist Church, Lake Charles, April 8-10.
1948–First Methodist Church, Shreveport, March 16-18.
1949–First Methodist Church, Alexandria, March 22-24.
1950–Trinity Methodist Church, Ruston, March 28-30.
1951–First Methodist Church, Monroe, October 23-24.
1952–First Methodist Church, Lafayette, March 18-19.
1953–University Methodist Church, Baton Rouge, March 17-19.
1954–Rayne Memorial Methodist Church, New Orleans, March 24-26.
1955–First Methodist Church, Lake Charles, March 18-20.
1956–First Methodist Church, Shreveport, March 2-4.
1957–First Methodist Church, Alexandria, March 13-15.
1958–First Methodist Church, Monroe, March 18-20.
1959–First Methodist Church, Baton Rouge, March 4-6.
1960–Noel Memorial Methodist Church, Shreveport, March 16-18.
1961–First Methodist Church, Lake Charles, March 15-17.
1962–First Methodist Church, New Orleans, March 14-16.
1963–First Methodist Church, Monroe, March 13-15.
1964–Lafayette Municipal Auditorium, Lafayette, March 11-13.
1965–Broadmoor Methodist Church, Shreveport, March 10-12.
1966–University Methodist Church, Baton Rouge, March 8-10.
1967–First Methodist Church, Lake Charles, March 15-17.
1968–First Methodist Church, Shreveport, March 13-15.

PURPOSE

of the

WOMEN'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE

and

WESLEYAN SERVICE GUILD

of

THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

(The changes from the PURPOSE of the Woman's Society and Guild of The Methodist Church are set in bold type)

The purpose of the **Women's** Society of Christian Service and Wesleyan Service Guild shall be to help women grow in the knowledge and experience of God as revealed in Jesus Christ; to challenge them to respond to God's redemptive purpose in the world, **to unite them in a Christian fellowship to make Christ known through the world; and to develop a personal responsibility for the whole task of the church.**

Toward the realization of this purpose, the **Women's** Society and the Wesleyan Service Guild shall provide opportunities and resources **to meet the needs and interests of women;** to increase their knowledge of the **concerns and responsibilities of the church in the world; and to share in Christian witness, service, and missionary outreach.**

The **Women's** Society and Guild shall enlist workers and secure funds for the fulfillment of their responsibility in the mission of the church at home and overseas.

LOOK AT THE COVER OF THIS REPORT. It was done by a professional artist as his interpretation of the vision of Sir Launfal.

"He parted in twain his single crust,
He broke the ice on the streamlet's brink
'Twas a mouldy crust of coarse brown bread,
'Twas water out of a wooden bowl." . . . *Lowell*

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* Miss Helen Mandlebaum
* Miss Shiela Nuttall
* Mrs. Lillian Nelle Peach
* Mrs. Verna Webster Willis

Serving in our conference other than in National Division Projects

* Miss Margaret Field
* Miss Norma Garlington
* Miss Evelyn Murphree

Accepted as a U.S.-2, 1968-1970

** Miss Linda Boddie

CONTRACT WORKERS FROM LOUISIANA

Serving in Other Conferences

Rev. Brent Doan
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(CODE: # Home Missionary; * Deaconesses; ** U.S.-2; £ Contract Work)

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Rev. and Mrs. Carlos A. Welcl
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* Hawaii is now a part of the Southern California-Arizona Conference. The Reverend Mr. Youngblood is now a member of this Conference.

MISSIONARIES ASSIGNED TO OTHER CONFERENCES

but of Special Interest to our Conference as it is the Birthplace of the Missionaries in Bold Print

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Dewey
Mr. and Mrs. Hall Duncan
Dr. and Mrs. James I. McClen
Rev. and Mrs. H. A. Townsley

(For more complete information on our workers and a list of "Employed Workers" see the Directory, Birthday Calendar, and Cover Letter mailed to each local society in care of the chairman of missionary education.)

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1968 – 1969

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ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES

1967 -- 1968

The Administrative Committee met July 16, 1967 at Shreveport, La., with Mrs. C. B. McGowan presiding, to discuss "The Christian Service Times." No action was taken.

Mrs. C.B. McGowan, President
Mrs. T.E. Hampton, Recording Secretary

(Approved by the Executive Committee October 10, 1967)

On October 17, 1967, the Administrative Committee was polled by letter and approved Mrs. C. B. McGowan and Mrs. W. B. Gardner attending a meeting in Oklahoma City on November 27-29, at the Skirvin Hotel. The Commission on Interjurisdictional Relations, The Board of Christian Social Concerns, and The Woman's Division of the Board of Missions issued the invitation to certain persons to attend The Consultation to assess what has happened in the merger process with overlapping Annual Conferences in the South Central Jurisdiction. The room and board of each person attending will be furnished, but the Conference is expected to pay the transportation costs. Mrs. Gardner will provide most of the cost of her transportation in her Christian Social Relations Fund. Bishop Walton urges their attendance if possible.

Mrs. C. B. McGowan, President
Mrs. T. E. Hampton, Recording Secretary

(Approved by the Executive Committee March 12, 1968)

Mrs. Glenn Laskey, president of the Woman's Division of the Board of Missions, The Methodist Church, has suggested that in the conferences in which a conference officer of the Evangelical United Brethren resides, that that officer be invited to attend the Executive Meeting of the Woman's Society at the Annual Meeting and to become a part of that Committee with a vote. This would mean that her expenses would be paid by the Conference and that housing would be furnished her, just as it is for the other members of the Executive Committee. Mrs. K. Vernon Taylor, president of the Women's Society of World Service of the Missouri Conference, Evangelical United Brethren, lives in Jennings, Louisiana. There being only two societies of this communion within the State of Louisiana, they are a part of the Missouri Conference.

On January 3, 1968, the Administrative Committee was polled by letter and approved asking Mrs. Taylor to be the guest of the conference, to become a part of the Executive Committee, and to attend the Executive Committee Meetings before and after the Annual Meeting.

Mrs. C. B. McGowan, President
Mrs. T. E. Hampton, Recording Secretary

(Approved by the Executive Committee March 12, 1968)

CALLED MEETING OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Executive Committee met in a called session July 17, 1967 at Shreveport, La., with Mrs. C. B. McGawan presiding. Mrs. G. W. Dameron, chairman of the special Committee on Simplified Reports for Small Societies, distributed the proposed Report Forms, which were examined and discussed at length. A few minor changes were made and they were approved as amended.

Mrs. C. B. McGawan, President
Mrs. T. E. Hampton, Recording Secretary

(Approved by the Executive Committee October 10, 1967)

MID-YEAR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Woman's Society of Christian Service

New Iberia, Louisiana, October 10-12, 1967

The Mid-Year Meeting of the Executive Committee of the Louisiana Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service was convened at 1:45 p.m. Tuesday, October 10, 1967 in the Chapel of the First Methodist Church, New Iberia, with the president, Mrs. C. B. McGawan, presiding. The opening session was preceded by meetings of the various committees, with coffee break and luncheon served by the hostess society, assisted by the Guild.

THE OPENING MEDITATION was given by the Reverend Duke Barron, pastor of the host church, who read John 10:14 and pointed out that many people do not know Jesus Christ because they have never heard of Jesus Christ. He emphasized that we have a gospel that is able to meet every need in the world. and we can be in mission right where we live.

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER by the president, Mrs. C. B. McGowan, who thanked the local society for all courtesies extended.

COMMITTEES WERE APPOINTED as follows: JOURNAL: Mrs. Robert Compton, Mrs. Garland Dean, and Mrs. George Tigner. RESOLUTIONS: Mrs. J.B. Mouton, Mrs. Wade Stonecipher, and Mrs. John Nelson.

ROLL CALL revealed the following present: Mesdames C.B. McGawan, J.B. Mouton, Sr., T.E. Hampton, Carl Gallaher, W.B. Gardner, Max Clayton, Garland Dean, Jr., Robert Reich, John L. Howe, Jr., L.C. Aycock, G.W. Dameron, B.E. Thibodeaux, T.C. Young, Wade Stoneciper, John Nelson, Gilbert Bandel, George H. Thomas, Charles Cain, B.E. Fox, Robert Compton, Jessie Porter, Don Wineinger, Lucille Goodwin, David Grass, J.D. Hansard, L.F. Wagner, George Tigner, Jr., J.T. Spencer, and Thomas E. Kirkpatrick. Mrs. Aycock moved that we send cards to those absent. MOTION CARRIED.

MINUTES of the Administrative Committee and a called meeting of the Executive Committee were read and approved. Minutes of the Spring Executive Committee were approved as submitted.

COMMUNICATIONS were read from Mrs. Glenn Laskey, Mrs. Charles H. Giessen, and Mrs. Stahl. Mrs. Dameron brought a message from Mrs. Richardson expressing thanks for all the courtesies she had received.

MRS. McGOWAN reported that Miss Thelma Stevens, Asst. General Secretary of the Section of Christian Social Relations of the Woman's Division, Board of Missions, was today leaving the hospital in Garden City, Kansas, for St. Luke's Hospital, 116th St. at Amsterdam Ave., New York; and, when able, would go to Lake Charles to be in

the home of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Carter. Mrs. Mouton moved that we remember Miss Stevens in a appropriate manner when she arrives in Lake Charles. MOTION CARRIED.

DISTRICT REPORTS

ALEXANDRIA Mrs. Thibodeaux, president, reported: The Executive Committee met to plan Zone Meetings, which would include presentation of a panel discussion on the School of Christian Mission, with highlights on each study; the presentation of the Program Book and the showing of the Treasurer's film. Free literature has been displayed, Membership Packets have been handed out to each society and many are reporting an increase in membership. The Wesleyan Service Guild reports 23 new members. The District Officers have been visiting in each society, giving specific help needed and stressing the need for supply askings to be daubled. The Chairman and Secretary of Missionary Educotion and Service of the Guild and Woman's Society, with athers on the committee, participated in two planning sessions for the Mission Study Conferences. Twenty-nine ladies toak part in Retreat Camp for the patients at Central Louisiana State Hospitol. There are gaod reports on Prayer Group participatian. A Day on Campus has been planned at Northwestern State College. Sixteen Societies asked to use the Simplified Report Blanks. An Executive Committee Meeting will be held October 26 for planning Self Study and Programs for the Zone Meetings.

BATON ROUGE Mrs. Stonecipher, president, reported: Mrs. Marcus Burks, having just returned from Japan, spoke to 140 women at the District Annual Meeting on the timely subject "Methodist Missions in the Orient." The Fall Workshop presented the studies on JAPAN, CHRIST AND THE FAITHS OF MEN, and MAN AND COMMUNITY. The District Secretary of Missionary Education and Service is cooperating with the District Committee in planning and promoting the Mission Study Conferences to be held October 24 and 25. The Fall Meeting in each Zone is emphasizing Membership Cultivation. Changes in supply askings and the film, supplied by the Conference Treasurer, are being presented. The film is being requested by the local societies, which is encouraging. We expect the Simplified Reports, sent to 37 societies, to show more clearly the work of these small societies. The first Day on Campus was held at Southeastern College in Hammond September 19, with the Secretary for Campus Ministry working closely with the Director of Wesley Foundation.

LAFAYETTE Mrs. Thomas, president, reported: New societies have been organized at Krotz Springs and Bayou Blue churches. Although payment on pledge was increased by $206 over the previous year, neigher the district pledge nar supply askings was met in full last year. $293 was given for "Christmas in July" for Supply Work. At the District Annual Meeting, Betty Ruth Goode, Deaconess, was the speaker; the offering was dedicated to Missians in honor of Dr. Vela Cleveland. All churches in the district except one were reached in officer training sessions held in 14 churches by teams af district officers, with excellent results. Two workshops and two Mission Study Conferences were held in September with excellent cooperatian in evidence between Woman's Society, Guild, and Church. The youth representative to Jurisdictional Missionary Conference was Pamela Rush from New Iberia.

LAKE CHARLES Mrs. Camptan, president, reparted: The District Officers attended the Training Day in Pineville and the "Self-Study" in order to be more effective officers. There were three Zone Meetings, where most of the societies were represented, and District Officers helped the local officers to become acquainted with the Purpose and Program of the Woman's Saciety. The District Secretary of Missionary Education and Service and a youth delegate attended the Jurisdictional Missionary Conference at Mt. Sequoyah. Six youth made the Missian Tour this summer. We cooperoted with the planning and presentatian of the District Mission Study Canference which was held in three different meetings. September 29, a Day Apart on the Lake Arthur Campground was a very inspirational day when Mrs. Dameron was our leader and helped us to understand better the nature and missian af the Church, the Waman's Society, and the Christian faith. Some of the E.U.B. members attended also. Navember 1 is planned for the District Executive Committee

Self Study, using the Book "Feminine Crisis in Christian Faith." November 28-29, Mrs. G. W. Pomeroy, District Secretary of Christian Social Relations, is planning a "World Understanding Workshop with Focus on Africa" in Lake Charles, First Church, with resource persons: Mrs. Glenn Laskey, Mrs. Earl Button, Mrs. W.B. Gardner, and Mrs. Larry Pleimann.

MONROE Mrs. Wineinger, president, reported: Membership over the district shows a net increase of 24 women, with three new societies having been organized. In spite of great effort at interpretation and generous special membership gifts, again we did not meet our district pledge. Leadership training was offered in the Zones in the Spring, with district officers meeting with groups related to their tasks. This Fall we are presenting Simplified Reports and Financial Changes by role-playing the local Executive Committee. The film on finances is being shown. Self-Study for the District Executive Committee and four women from each local society was held on August 31, with 50 women in attendance. Materials used are being made available for local use. Campus Ministry is keeping in close touch with the Student Director; the women of the district provide a Tuesday lunch for students throughout the college year. The Mission Study Conference was planned cooperatively and presented in two phases.

NEW ORLEANS Mrs. Gross, president, reported: The Annual Meeting of the New Orleans District was held March 29 at Carrollton Church. Mrs. Howe moderated a panel, "Louisiana in Mission." Two new societies, Terrytown and Belle Chasse, were welcomed. District officers attended training in Pineville and presented training for the local officers at Algiers Church on May 17. Mrs. Rupert Coles, District Secretary of Missionary Education and Service, attended the Jurisdictional Missionary Conference at Mt. Sequoyah. Three Zone meetings were held in September to discuss financial changes and increase in Supply Askings. Church Women United held a Missions Institute September 15. Of the 175 women attending, forty percent were Methodist. On September 16, Bishop Walton dedicated the Carmol Tackaberry Memorial Pool at Camp St. Marks, Covington. Mrs. Gallaher and Miss Fae Daves took part in the service. The second District Mission Study Conference was held September 30 with both Jurisdictions attending. Mrs. Coles participated in the program. Mrs. Edward McDevitt, Secretary of Christian Social Relations, reported a World Understanding Workshop on Africa will be held November 8 at St. Luke's. Women from both Jurisdictions are planning and executing the program. Mrs. Howe is giving unstinted guidance in this endeavor. Phase 2 of the Self Study is being planned for March 6. The Newsletter is published quarterly, immediately following Executive Committee Meetings. Plans are being made for a joint meeting with the Guild in February.

RUSTON Mrs. Tigner, president, reported: Enthusiasm was keen and attendance high at both District and Local Officer Training. Again, Presidents' Clinics were conducted during June. Two societies have disbanded during the past year and combined membership has decreased 23. These losses can be attributed to an overall loss of population for our area. The Secretary of Missionary Education cooperated with pastors, chairmen of the Commission on Missions, and other members of the committee in conducting Mission Study Conference, which afforded an opportunity for renewed cooperation and dedication to mission tasks. Also new, was an afternoon Workshop on Program, where, under the supervision of capable leaders, delegates developed a program from the Program Resource Book. A Day Apart for District Officers and local Committees on Spiritual Life Cultivation was outstanding in January. Fall Zone Meetings will be a time of Self Study for every member. District officers are visiting each society in teams.

SHREVEPORT Mrs. Krikpotrick, president, reported: The 1967 District Annual Meeting, with Rev. and Mrs. Carlos Welch as guest speakers, was well attended. The district has held the first two in a continuing series of Christian Social Relations Seminars. The first was on mental health and the second on ministry to young adults. A World Understanding Workshop on Africa is scheduled for November 30. Twelve district officers attended Officers Training Day and participated in the Spring Zone Meetings with training for local officers. With the completion of these meetings, every society in the district has been reached with a training program within the last 14 months. A district wide Self Study is planned for October 18 in Mooringsport. The District Secretary of Missionary Education and Service and one

youth delegate attended the Jurisdictional Missionary Conference at Mt. Sequoyah this summer. The District Committee on Missian Studies planned seven sub-district meetings to be held in connection with Group Quarterly Conferences during September and October. The District Church Missionary Secretary participated in the planning and program of the Foll Workshop on Mission Studies sponsored by the Woman's Society. The District Standing Rules have been revised and circulated to societies.

CONFERENCE OFFICERS REPORTS

REPORTS were mode by the following conference Officers: VICE-PRESIDENT, Mrs. Mouton; RECORDING SECRETARY, Mrs. Hampton; and TREASURER, Mrs. Gallaher. See index for full report of these officers.

SECRETARIES REPORTS

REPORTS OF LINES OF WORK were made by the following Secretaries: CAMPUS MINISTRY, Mrs. McGowan for Mrs. Robert Bingham; MEMBERSHIP CULTIVATION, Mrs. Clayton; SPIRITUAL LIFE CULTIVATION, Mrs. Howe; CHRISTIAN SOCIAL RELATIONS, Mrs. Gardner; MISSIONARY EDUCATION AND SERVICE, Mrs. Dean; PROGRAM MATERIALS, Mrs. Reich; and SUPPLY WORK, Mrs. Aycock. See index for full report of these Secretories. Mrs. Hampton reported for the Wesleyan Christian Service Guild in the absence of Miss Mildred Evans.

MRS. McGOWAN reported that she was elected to the Planning Committee for the School of Christion Mission for the West Gulf Region. She was invited to be the dinner speaker at the Annual Meeting of the Central Jurisdication held in Mississippi. Mrs. McGowon conveyed the contents of a letter from Mrs. Laskey urging cooperation in merging of the Conferences by inviting members of the Central Jurisdiction to meetings when the opportunity is presented. She called attention to the fact that we had budgeted $25.00 eoch for four students to attend Jurisdictional Missionary Conference and none accepted this opportunity. It was suggested that this could be promated in the field of Christian Vocations.

MRS. DAMERON and MRS. MOUTON announced Church Women United Board of Manager would meet in Alexandria on November 9.

GENERAL CONFERENCE will be held in Dallas April 21 to May 4.

COMMITTEE RECESSED for dinner which wos served by the women of the Society and Guild of the Host Church.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO STUDY THE RECORDS AND FILES OF THE CONFERENCE TREASURER. Mrs. Galloher, Chairman, reported two members of the special committee met in New Orleans at the home of the treasurer on September 18, 1967. Prior to the meeting, the treasurer had secured guidelines from the treosurer of the Woman's Division as to what records and files should be retained. These guidelines, which are copied here, were corefully followed:

"RETENTION OF RECORDS AND FILES OF CONFERENCE TREASURER"

"The following are suggestions from the Division Office. A more complete file may be kept if it is desired. The suggestions are made with a view to the legal and 'working' value of the documents.

"1. Cancelled checks and back statements —
as long as they have legol value according to the Statute of Limitations within your state.
2. Receipts and invoices —
prior quadrennium plus present quadrennium.
3. Copies of remittance blonks to Woman's Division Treasurer —
prior quodrennium plus present quodrennium.
4. Audited Reports —
mointoin complete file so that on historical record for the

conference is available at all times.

5. Other papers such as deeds or insurance papers which may be considsidered as legal documents—
   as long as they are effective and in force.
6. File of letters to Conference Treasurer from Woman's Division Treasurer —
   two quadrennia plus present quadrennium."

Mrs. Gallaher moved that we adopt these recommendations. MOTION CARRIED.

Mrs. Gallaher further reported that though only two members of the committee were able to come together, the report below was submitted to, and approved by the full committee:

The committee found the records and files in good order, but contained an accumulation of correspondence, records, and other materials which no longer have value for the treasurer or the conference society. It is therefore recommended that the following materials be removed from the treasurer's files: 1) Quarterly reports for conference treasurer 1958-59. 2) Personal correspondence 1961-62. 3) Supply Askings 1961-62. 4) Reparts of Conference Treasurer and Committee on Finance for 1957-58-59-60. These are not audited reports, they are third quarter reports, packet reports from Jurisdiction Officers and Secretaries 1960. 5) 1954-55-56-57-58-59 statements and cancelled checks. 6) 1956 record and report books for local secretaries of promotion and treasures of the Wesleyan Service Guild. 7) February 1960-May 1960 deposit books. 8) 1960 guide for the Woman's Society of Christian Service. 9) 20th Annual Report 1959-60. 10) Handbook for the Wesleyan Service Guild 1956-60. 11) "Do You Know" handbook 1956. 12) Quarterly reports from district treasurers up to 1962-63. 13) Annual reports from other conferences years 1957-58, 1958-59. 14) Reports and recommendations submitted to the mid-year executive meeting up to 1962-63. 15) Receipts and invoices prior to 1961 conference year. 16) The ledger sheets up to the year 1960-61. Mrs. Gallaher moved that disposition of these items be authorized. MOTION CARRIED.

Mrs. Gallaher further reported that the committee would appreciate guidance as to the disposition of the following: 1) The 13th, 14th, and 15th Annual Reports from The South Central Jurisdiction Woman's Society and Wesleyan Service Guild (1953-54 through 1955-56). 2) Expense account for St. Tammany Rural Work 1955-59.

Mrs. Gallaher recommended that Mrs. C. W. Tebow in Bunkie, who keeps a permanent record of special Memberships, be furnished the Membership Blanks to ascertain if these Special Memberships are properly recorded.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

SCHOOL OF CHRISTIAN MISSION — 1968 Mrs. Gardner reported the school will be held July 15 to 19. The courses and instructors will be: Southeast Asia — Mrs. Hazel Dabney and Mrs. John Freeman; New Forms of Mission — Dr. J.B. Holt, Dr. Woodrow Hearne, and Mrs. H.L. Georg; Book of John — Miss Ethelene Sampley. It was recommended: 1) that the Local Presidents and Secretaries of Missionary Education and Service of the former Central Jurisdiction (and any Conference officers residing within the city) be invited to attend the 1968 School of Christian Mission. 2) that the committee also invite the District Committees on Mission Studies and the local chairmen of Commission on Missions. 3) that the women of the Evangelical United Brethren in this conference be sent invitations and registration cards. Mrs. Gardner moved that these recommendations be adopted. MOTION CARRIED.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE Mrs. Gallaher, chairman, read the proposed pledge for 1968-69 (printed on following page), and moved that it be accepted, subject to change at the Spring Executive Committee Meeting. MOTION CARRIED.

1.

Alexandria	$ 16,081.00
Baton Rouge	25,354.00
Lafayette	14,240.00
Lake Charles	21,371.00
Monroe	21,613.00
New Orleans	24,767.00
Ruston	18,189.00
Shreveport	35,211.00
Total	$176.826.00

Mrs. Gallaher read the proposed Conference Budget for 1968-69 (printed below) and moved that it be adopted as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

2. Proposed Conference Budget for 1968-69

Office Expense	$ 1,200.00
Annual Meeting	1,600.00
Annual Report	1,600.00
Mid-year Executive Meeting	275.00
Jurisdiction Annual Meeting	750.00
Regional School of Christion Mission	900.00
Jurisdiction Cultivation	800.00
Conference Sschool of Christian Mission	1,400.00
Youth Work	600.00
Christian Service Times	630.00
Christian Social Relations	300.00
Cooperative Meetings	550.00
Miscellaneous	400.00
Tour	300.00
Woman's Division Cultivation	75.00
Wesleyan Service Guild	2,180.00
Total	$ 13,560.00

The following recommendations were read by Mrs. Gallaher and were individually adopted, on her motion. Recommendations 3, 11, and 14 are to be referred to the Committee on Constitution and Bylaws.

3. Thot we increase the allowance for transportation by car for Conference Officers on official business from 5 cents to 7 cents per mile.

4. That up to $400.00 from the Recruitment Fund be used to help finance the 1968 Youth Tour for Missions.

5. That each District Society allow expenses for the District Secretary of Missionary Education and Service, or her represetative, ta attend the 1968 Jurisdictional Missionary Conference at Mt. Sequoyah, and that, if needed, each District's expense be supplemented by the Conference Society in the amount of $15.00.

6. That $25.00 each be allowed for up ta four student delegates to attend the 1968 Jurisdicational Missionary Conference at Mt. Sequoyah.

7. That up to $600.00 be allowed for District Officer Training in 1968.

8. That up to $200.00 be allowed for Conference Officer Orientation Day in 1968.

9. That motel expenses be allowed for the Conference President and Recording Secretary during the Mid-year Executive Committee Meeting.

10. That up to $100.00 be allowed for the expense of printing and mailing a Missionary Brochure.

11. That an amount not to exceed $25.00 per year be allowed to purchase audio-visual aids for Missionary Education.

12. That $300.00 be appropriated to sent the Conference President to the General Conference in Dallas.

13. That the Secretary of Program Materials be allowed up to $50.00 from the refund on the sale of literature at the 1967 School of Christian Mission for the purchase of resource materials to be used throughout the conference.

14. That in Standing Rule No. 11, the word "Postage" be changed to "mailing expense."

COMMITTEE ON MEETING PLACES - Mrs. Aycock, chairman, reported having received the following invitations far future meetings: 1968 — March 12-14, Annual Meeting, First Chruch, Shreveport; 1968 — October Mid-year Executive Committee Meeting, First Church, Natchitoches; 1969 — March Annual Meeting, First Chruch, Alexandria. Mrs. Kripatrick moved that we accept the invitation from the First Chruch, Natchitoches. MOTION CARRIED. Mrs. Clayton moved that we accept the invitativn from the First Church, Alexandria. MOTION CARRIED. Mrs. Hampton moved that the President and Chairman of the Committee on Meeting Places be authorized to set the dates for the Mid-year Executive Committee Meeting. MOTION CARRIED.

COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS In the absence of the chairman, Mrs. McGowan asked the Committee to get together to discuss possible nominees and report to their chairman.

COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS Mrs. Dameron, chairman, distributed copies of the recommended changes in the bylaws and Standing Rules, which were explained and discussed. These will be presented again at the Spring Meeting and action will be taken at that time.

The evening session closed with prayer.

WEDNESDAY MORNING SESSION was convened at 8:45

MEDITATION was given by Mrs. Hawe, following the singing of "Take Time to be Holy." She reminded us that Christ used familiar things in his teaching — stories that would be recalled, such as stating we would not put new patches on old cloth, or put new wine in old skins. As we get "A Taste of New Wine" we may be able to discontinue putting new patches on rigid sturcture and perhaps its healing richness can be spilled out over a sore troubled world. As we move forward step by step the unacceptable can be clearly accepted, and we can say, "Lord, this is your day — use me."

MRS. McGOWAN welcomed the Rev. Glen Rorie, who is the representative from the Area Council, to the Woman's Society assigned to him for the time being.

ANNUAL MEETING PROGRAM Mrs. Reich, chairman, reported the theme of the Annual Meeting would be "A Cup of Water." The theme song will be "Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life." Bishop Aubrey G. Walton and Dr. Harry Haines will be featured speakers. Dr. D. L. Dykes will give the noon meditations. Other features of the meeting will be: a play, "Waiting for Godot" by The Jongleurs of Centenary College; a tea at Business Girls' Inn; Conference Officers having a Box Lunch with officers in their lines of work; Communion in Couch Chapel from 11:30 to 1:30; Mrs. Howe dedicating the Program and the Youth Banquet, probably Friday night.

RE-EVALUATION OF RECOMMENDATIONS. "We the Committee to Study the Value of the Recommendations, having been charged with further study in regard to content and use of the Recommendations, offer for consideration another method of promotion. The evaluation of the questionnaires relating to the Recommendations

indicated a more personal type of contact would be helpful. So in the place of the Recommendations, as we have known them in the past, we recommend:

1. That a letter be mailed from each Conference Officer and Secretary of Line of Work to her corresponding district and local officer within the first reporting period and such other time as may be deemed necessary.

2. That the letter be a promotional aid for the particular office, the Conference Officer determining the content, and lifting up goals, emphases, programs, etc.

3. That the letter be mailed by the Conference Officer to her District Officer, the District Officer to sign her name in the place so designated, add any message she may desire and mail to her local officers and District President.

The Conference Officer will furnish the letter, envelopes, and postage for mailing. (See Standing Rule No. 11, Conference Standing Rules), and send a copy of the letter to other Conference Officers. It would be hoped that the Conference Officer would have the opportunity to discuss with her District Officer the content, promotion, timing of letter etc., during times together, such as Officers Training, School of Christian Mission, Annual Meeting. We further recommend that the above procedure be followed for the year 1968-69, after which an evaluation of the procedure and a decision as to its continued use be made. We also recommend that the Recommendations of the Conference Committee on Finance be mailed to each local Society before the Annual Meeting. This mailing to include a letter from the Conference President stating that a new form of promotion, rather than Recommendations, is going to be tried and that the local officer will be hearing from her conference and district officer.

Mrs. Wiley B. Gardner, Chairman
Mrs. Garland Deon
Mrs. Max L. Cloyton"

Mrs. Gardner moved these recommendations be accepted. A suggested revision was approved by the committee and the motion was seconded and CARRIED. (Revision incorporated in this writing.) Mrs. Gardner commented that the study began originally in 1966.

THE REV. MR. RORIE commented on the timely words of Mrs. Howe in her meditation. He explained that "Service" is the function of the Area Council whose purpose is to promote and cultivate the activities of the Boards and Agencies of the Conference; and stated that the Woman's Society is his responsibility. He stressed the importance of activities, such as the Annual Meeting, Youth Banquet, School of Christian Mission, etc., being on the calendar well in advance.

CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS was to be elected at this time and Mrs. McGowan called for nominations. Mrs. Dean nominated Mrs. C.R. McCammon. Mrs. Compton moved nominations close. MOTION CARRIED and Mrs. McCammon was elected by acclamation.

JURISDICTION ANNUAL MEETING will be in Omaha, Nebraska, Feb. 20-22 announced Mrs. McGowan, who asked that delegates who can not attend please let her know as soon as possible.

CHRISTIAN SERVICE TIMES business manager, Mrs. Watson, was absent and Mrs. Gardner presented the financial report:

Balance on hand as reported at Annual Meeting	$225.58
Subscriptions received from Woman's Society from March 21 through October 1, 1967	124.00
Money deposited by the Wesleyan Service Guild for subscriptions March through October, 1967	383.00
Total balance in bank October, 1967	$732.58

Files, books, bank book, etc. were turned over to Mrs. Wideman Watson, the new Business Manager for the Christian Serice Times, on October 2, 1967, Homer, La.

CHRISTIAN SERVICE TIMES editor, Mrs. Howe, reported: In view of the fact that Christian Service Times has completed its time of organization and "growing pains" and has become a manageable vehicle for promoting the concerns and interests of the Louisiana Conference Woman's Society and Wesleyan Service Guild, I recommend that a committee be appointed to evaluate the CHRISTIAN SERVICE TIMES . . . its content, the statistical report, methods of promotion, reports of constructive criticism, and future possibilities, the report to be made to the Spring Session of the Executive Committee of the Louisiana Conference Woman's Society and the Wesleyan Service Guild. Mrs. Howe moved this recommendation be accepted. MOTION CARRIED.

MRS. KIRKPATRICK moved that the names of the District Presidents be given to the Rev. Mr. Rorie, to be placed on the mailing list for SADDLE BAGS. MOTION CARRIED.

ITINERATION OF A MISSIONARY FOR DISTRICT MEETINGS Mrs. Dean, as authorized, has been working with the proper officers, the Conference President, the District Presidents, and the Conference Missionary Secretary in making arrangements for the itineration of a missionary to the District Annual Meetings of the Woman's Society of 1968. Dates for the last week in March and the first week in April were cleared with the Area Council Office and put on the Annual Conference Church Calendor. Acting as coordinator at the Committee's request, the Rev. K.G. Rorie sent in a request to Miss Virginia Henry, Director of Field Interpretation, for a missionary to itinerate, preferably from Southeast Asia. A missionary has been assured, but no selection has been made. The District Societies will assume responsiblity for entertainment and program arrangements during the Annual Meetings, the Annual Conference Board of Missions assuming responsibility during the weekends, and also taking care of the Rev. Mr. Rorie's personal expense when he accompanies the missionary. Working with the Rev. Mr. Rorie, the District Societies will be responsible for transportation within the conference, pro-rating the expense among the districts. Mrs. Mouton moved this report be accepted. MOTION CARRIED. Mrs. Dean also reported that the Department of Field Interpretation has advised that delegates from overseas are available for itineration before and after General Conference. Mrs. Howe moved that in view of the fact that we have made other plans, we do not wish to participate in this itineration at this time. MOTION CARRIED.

SIMPLIFIED REPORTS Mrs. Dameron, chairman, reported. "Following the July meeting of the Conference Executive Committee, at which time simplified report forms and instruction sheets were approved, the order for mimeographing was given as follows: 675 Sets of Reports and 255 Instruction Sheets on white paper; 575 Sets of Reports and 150 Instruction Sheets on colored paper. As far as this committee can ascertain, the recommendations for implementing the use of the reports, approved by the Executive Committee have been, or are being, carried out. Early in September report forms and instruction sheets were sent to each of the 140 selected societies, 1 copy for each zone leader, and two extra sets. Also each member of the Executive Committee who was absent from its July meeting, was sent a copy of the report form and instruction sheet. Materials for the second reporting period are now available for the district presidents. Since the report forms will be the same as those for the first period, duplicate copies will not be supplied to the conference and district officers and secretaries and zone leaders, unless there is a special request. Copies of all materials related to this project have been sent to the Woman's Division through the office of Miss Theresa Hoover. There remains only the matter of evaluating this project. This, of course, will require future action. The committee, therefore, brings this final report with an expression of appreciation for the interest and cooperation of the conference and district executive committees, and for the privilege of having worked on this interesting and thought-provoking project.

Mrs. G. W. Dameron
Mrs. W. B. Gardner
Mrs. Garland Dean, Jr."

Mrs. Dameron stated that one of the requests in the research was that a space be provided for societies to report additional activities and so designate it for that purpose.

MRS. HOWE moved that we send greetings to Dr. J. Henry Bowdon, who is ill.

MOTION CARRIED.

COMMITTEE RECESSED for lunch which was beautifully served by the Lafayette District Executive Committee, some of whom were attired in Japanese costumes. Menu and table settings carried out this theme.

DISTRICT OFFICER TRAINING. Mrs. Aycock, chairman, reported the training would be held at First Church, Pineville, on April 17, 1968 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. By common consent, this date was approved. Other members of the committee are: Mesdames Gallaher, Gross, and Tigner.

YOUTH MISSION TOUR. Mrs. Howe, in absence of the chairman, presented a resolution that the sponsors of the 1968 Mission Tour, Mr. and Mrs. John Oldham, be authorized to arrange and set dotes for the tour, in consultation with the Area Council. Mrs. Howe moved the adoptian of this resolution. MOTION CARRIED. Mrs. Hampton moved that the committee be authorized to set the fee for the tour. MOTION CARRIED.

COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS. Mrs. Wineinger reported the committee had met and would offer suggestions to the chairman, Mrs. Watson.

CHURCH WOMEN UNITED. Mrs. Dameron, Second Vice-President of the Council (Vice President of Cultivation) gave suggestions for denominations working together and possibly forming a Council.

MRS. McGOWAN announced a Week-end Seminar April 19-21, 1968 at the Business Girls' Inn in Shreveport. Topic — "Opportunities for Understanding."

QUADRENNIAL NATIONAL SEMINAR ON HUMAN RIGHTS, held at St. Paul's School of Theology, Kansas City, Missouri, August 1 - 11, 1967, was attended by Mrs. Gardner, who reported thoughts received from many outstanding persons. If the recommendations from this Seminar are adopted by the Woman's Division, we will be hearing more about Human Rights and will be involved in action. The purpose of this National Seminar was: "To increase understanding and quicken concern for Human Rights in World Perspective by: 1) Searching for solid Biblical and Theological basis for Christian's commitment to the realization of human rights for all people; 2) Listening to the world wide voices of need and aspiration that help us to more adequately interpret and fulfill the human rights struggle of our time; 3) Identifying and gaining greater insights into particular priority human rights issues and goals; 4) Discovering specific directions in which Methodist Women should move toward the realization of these goals."

In 1948, the United Nations General Assembly adopted, without a dissenting vote, the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. For the first time in history the world had a definition (which had been agreed upon and represented many nations) of what is meant when "human rights" are discussed. The ,declaration was different because it represented the thinking, and implied the acceptance, of many countries.

What has been the effect of the existence of this definition during the 20 years? Was the struggle to arrive at the definition worth all the work it took?

In 1941 when President Roosevelt enunciated the Doctrine of the Four Freedoms: Freedom of speech, freedom of worship, freedom from want, and freedom from fear everywhere in the world; he met a world need. People were ready to agree that these were the things for which the world must strive. Later that year, Chruchill and Roosevelt proclaimed the Atlantic Charter, which set forth the same objectives for the post-war world; and this was the basis of what was to become the human rights agencies of the United Nations. At this point, the cause of international protection of human rights benefitted immensely from the uneasy memory of many people in the United Nations in regard to the United States failure to join the League of Nations. President Wilson had been one of the most enthusiastic and hardest working of its architects, but the Senate of the United States declined ratification.

The Universal Declaration of Human Rights has been a new force in the world, pricking the conscience of countries that had prided themselves on their leadership

of human rights, and opening new vistas of human dignity for nations so newly come to freedom that they did not have the opportunity of voting for the Declaration in 1948. The more developed and developing nations have shown their faith in cooperation and promotion of human rights on the international level in accord with the Declaration, a document which does not bind them to act in accord with it.

Since its adoption, a number of new national constitutions have included all, or portions, of the Declaration; and national laws or decrees issued in recent years often cite it or individual articles from it. Every aspect of the United Nations has some part to play in the development of equal rights for all. The activities of the Organizations reflect world concern for the problems and potential which lie with enhancement of the dignity and worth of the human person, and this is an important aspect of human rights work which should not be overlooked. Each of these agencies carried out much of the work necessary to make the rights defined in the Charter living realities for people in disadvantaged areas of the world.

The original resolution, setting 1968 aside as International Human Rights year, called for each country to make an appraisal of human rights progress in their countries and plan to improve the situation where needed. Reports on such progress are to be presented to the United Nations during 1968. Perhaps some of the many human rights events of 1968 can heighten our awareness of a willingness to work for them among people all over the world.

A handbook is being published by the non-governmental organizations with the cooperation of the U.S. Commission on UNESCO. The last section is devoted to Community Action, and contains many specific questions which groups need to begin asking themselves, in preparation for 1968. For members of the Methodist and EUB Churches, there will also be many questions about the elimination of all forms and practices of segregation in the new church. Two important goals for the year have been added: 1) Publicizing and ratification of Covenants. This is a very important step, particularly in the United States where we have not, as yet, taken our first step by ratifying any of the Covenants. 2) Publicizing of the existence and meaning of "Apartheid" in our world today. The future observances of human rights and the results it can achieve are one of the most important items on the world agenda.

Some of the recommendations coming out of the Seminar, calling for action on the part of Methodist women, are: 1) That "petitions" be sent to General Conference encouraging a Human Rights emphasis in the QUADRENNIAL Program; 2) That Methodist women take leadership in organization of Year Long Observances of International Year of Human Rights in their communities. Interfaith and interdenominational groups, as well as others, should be included in the planning and promotion. One of the objectives should be to help create a new climate of understanding in the community; 3) That Methodist women urge the Senate to ratify the three United Nations Covenants presented to it by President Kennedy (Forced Labor, Slavery, and Political Rights of Women) and the Genocide Covenant; and to use all possible ways to publicize the importance of this action; 4) That the Woman's Division continue to find ways of expanding its programs in the area of Human Rights. That the emphasis be brought before the local church by a "Call" from the President of the Woman's Division; 5) That Human Rights be the focus of spring Jurisdictional and Conference meetings across the nation.

MRS. McGOWAN called attention to the October issue of the WORLD OUTLOOK which features "Life at MacDonell Center."

WORKSHOP ON WORLD UNDERSTANDING: FOCUS-AFRICA. Mrs. Howe reported: "Forty-five women from the Baton Rouge area and fifteen representatives (in all) from Lake Charles, Shreveport, Mississippi, Arkansas, and Texas, participated in the hub-city Workshop on World Understanding, with focus on Africa, held April 4-5, in Baton Rouge. The purpose was to establish a channel for sharing the rich information gained by fourteen women from the United States who participated in a Workshop on World Understanding in Kitwe, Zambesi, in August, 1966. Slides, tape recordings, and excellent materials from the Section of Christian Social Relations of the Woman's Division were used and are available for use by others desiring a workshop. To date, eleven spin-off workshops have been planned over the four state area. Four are planned in Louisiana — at Shreveport, Lake Charles, New Orleans,

and a Wesleyan Service Guild Workshop in the Baton Rouge and New Orleans Districts combined. It is hoped that representatives from other Louisiana cities will attend these four workshops, and will then return home to have a workshop in the local area. Reports of all workshops planned should be sent to Mrs. W. B. Gardner."

JOURNAL COMMITTEE Mrs. Compton, chairman, reported. We, the Journal Committee, have examined the minutes thus far and found them in order. We ask for permission to examine the minutes of the last session after adjournment.

ECUMENICAL ASSEMBLY OF CHURCH WOMEN UNITED. Mrs. Mouton reported: "Church Women United is taking on a new face as well as a new name. The watchword now is 'change to meet the new day." The change in name is only the outward expression of becoming a movement of women who are working in a new way toward being more inclusive. Ways must be found for each person to be able to take full advantage of every opportunity to contribute to the cause of representing to the indifferent and to the unbeliever the whole movement, the whole purpose of the Church Women United. There will be changes in the program, the organization and its implementation. In the goals set for New Dimensions, we are called upon to accept the responsibility for the future. We must present a united front of church women against the evils and problems in our own particular community. There is no question of 'voting whether or not we will be part of Church Women United' in our local societies. As Methodist Women we are a part of the movement by virtue of the membership of the Methodist Church in The National Council of Churches. We must look at this as a united effort for the whole church to meet the issues of the day, war and peace, poverty, youth movements, population explosion, responsibility for underdeveloped nations and for responsible leadership in our own country. It will take all of us, let not Methodist women be found wanting." Mrs. Mouton closed the report with the goals: 1) Venture in new forms of witness to Christ. 2) Accept responsibility for justice and peace. 3) Seek creative and healing encounter in the midst of the human community. 4) Release the full potential in every person. 5) Develop more maturity in faith and discipline in commitment.

NATIONAL CONSULTATION ON THE CHURCH IN COMMUNITY LIFE. Mrs. Dean reported: "About 1,800 persons from 17 cooperating Protestant, Catholic, and ecumenical organizations attended this exciting Consultation, held in Columbus, Ohio, in September, at Ohio State University. Quote from a small discussion group: 'Denominationalism cannot speak effectively to the world.' Conversational remarks by a Canadian Churchman: 'We used to think ecumenism was inter-church cooperation, but now we think of it as the church ministering to the world — We say to certain other organizations, 'You are an instrument of God. How can we work together?' Remarks from a lecture: 'The church is disfunctional, just another way of saying that we talk one way and act another — This is a fast moving age — like a hen trying to lay an egg on an esculator — The Church can and must be an instrument of mission in our time.' Quote from a panel discussion: 'We must equate ecumenicity with trust, integrity, respect.' Challenging statements from a worship service: 'We must preach and teach that God has greater Penecosts than ever imagined — Our task is to translate. It cannot be accomplished by the merely verbal. It is the witness of service. Nothing else makes verbal affirmation creditable.' "

DISTRICT PRESIDENTS. Mrs. Kirkpatrick, Shreveport District, reported that the District Presidents had discussed having the District Annual Meetings precede the Conference Annual Meeting because: 1) Women would have opportunity to understand, and accept pledge and present it at Annual Meeting of Conference. 2) District Meeting is now an anti-climax. 3) Rush of time between Annual Meetings of District and Conference and Zone Training. 4) District Officers would be elected prior to Conference Annual Meeting and could attend with different perspective. Mrs. Thibodeaux moved that the president appoint a committee to study this arrongement. MOTION CARRIED.

COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS "The members of the Mid-Year Executive Committee wish to express our deep appreciation for the many courtesies extended to us by the Woman's Society of Christian Service and the Wesleyan Service Guild. We have been inspired by the love, concern, and friendship given by those who anticipated and met our mony needs. You have put into action the meaning of the words: "Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works,

and glorify your Father who is in Heaven."

Mrs. J. B. Moutan, Sr.
Mrs. John Nelson
Mrs. Wade Stonecipher

MAC DONELL COMMUNITY CENTER Mrs. Howe reported that institutions of this type are now dealing with many emotionally distrubed children, which creates a need far more professional assistance.

MRS. McGawan delivered a message from Luke 24:40 and asked, "Do I dare?"

The meeting was adjaurned with prayer.

Mrs. C. B. McGowan, President
Mrs. T.E. Hampton. Recording Secretary

Approved: Mrs. Robert Compton
Mrs. Garland Dean, Jr.
Mrs. George Tigner, Jr.

SPRING EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Woman's Society of Christian Service
Shreveport, Louisiana, March 12, 1968

The Spring Meeting of the Executive Committee of the Louisiana Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service was convened at 11:00 a.m. Tuesday, March 12, 1968 at the First Methadist Church, Shreveport, with the President, Mrs. C. B. McGawan, presiding. The apening session was preceded by meetings of the various committees with a dinner Mondoy evening at the Captain Shreve Hotel, courtesy of Mrs. Gearge Sexton, Jr., Mrs. L. B. Kilpatrick, Mrs. T. Haller Jackson, and Mrs. W. B. Gardner.

THE OPENING MEDITATION, given by Mrs. John Howe, was taken from Corinthians 4:5-7. She started with the statement: "What we preach is not ourselves," —that we are many people, but today we want to think of ourselves as Conference or District Officers with a job to serve the local woman; and, through her, serve God in the name of Jesus Christ. It is not easy to da these many things, but if we call on God, His transcendent power will shine through the earthen vessel.

ROLL CALL by the Recording Secretary revealed the following present: Mesdames C.B. McGowan, J.B. Mouton, T.E. Hampton, Carl Gallaher, Robert Bingham, W.B. Gardner, Garland Dean, John L. Howe, L.C. Aycock, G.W. Dameron, Wideman Watson, B.E. Thibodeaux, T.C. Young, Wade Stonecipher, John Nelson, Gilbert Bandel, George Thomas, Charles Cain, B.E. Fox, Robert Compton, Jessie Porter, Don Wineinger, J.W. Boyd, Lucille Goodwin, David Gross, J.D. Hansard, George Tigner, J.T. Spencer, T.E. Kirkpatrick, Jack Bussie, A. Clyde Lusk, and Miss Mildred Evans. Mrs. Thomas moved that proper communications be sent to those absent. This was approved by common consent.

MINUTES OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE were read and approved.

MRS. GALLAHER moved that we dispense with the reading of the minutes, since they had been mailed, and that they be accpeted as corrected. MOTION CARRIED. (carrections incorporated in this printing)

COMMUNICATIONS were read from Mrs. Glenn Laskey, Mrs. Aycock, Mrs. Charles Giessen, S.E. Richardson and family, and from the Rev. James M. Poole.

COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS were made by Mrs. McGowan as follows: JOURNAL: Mrs. Dean and Mrs. Aycock. COURTESY: Mesdames Compton, Goodwin, and Bingham. TELLERS: Mrs. Thomas, chairman of elections; and Mrs. Kirkpatrick, assistant chairman. Mrs. McGowan asked the District Presidents to appoint Dis-

tributing and Counting Tellers from their districts, and they are as follows: ALEXANDRIA: Distributing, Mrs. T.C. Young; Counting, Mrs. Luther Rone. BATON ROUGE: Distributing, Mrs. John Nelson; counting, Mrs. William Thomasson. LAFAYETTE: Distributing, Mrs. Spiller Milton; Counting, Mrs. Charles Cain. LAKE CHARLES: Distributing, Mrs. Tom McBride; Counting, Mrs. Roby Pierce. MONROE: Distributing, Mrs. Thomas Guthrie, Jr.; Counting, Mrs. W.R. Olsen. NEW ORLEANS: Distributing, Mrs. Truman Ward; Counting, Mrs. Warren Orr. RUSTON: Distributing, Mrs. James Kelly; Counting, Mrs. J.T. Spencer. SHREVEPORT: Distributing, Mrs. Stanley Burgess; Counting, Mrs. Robert Hill.

Mrs. McGowan expressed the thanks and appreciation of all the delegates who were sent to the Jurisdiction Meeting in Omaha, Nebraska, February 20-22, and reported that the fellowship was a most enjoyable and important part of the meeting. Worship in the beautiful chapel was a service in story and song of the resurrection. The theme of the meeting, "What does the Lord Require of Me?" was made very real. The President reminded the Committee that Jurisdiction Delegates were to be elected at this Annual Meeting, and referred to Article IV, Sec. 4, on page 89 in the Annual Report which states that three of the six are delegates by virtue of office and they are: president, treasurer, and secretary of membership cultivation. Since the office of secretary of membership cultivation is being deleted, the office of Secretary of Wesleyan Service Guild will be substituted. The other three will be elected by name from the Conference Officers.

THE COMMITTEE RECESSED for lunch which was served by the Shreveport District Executive Committee.

MRS. GLENN LASKEY, president of the Woman's Division, thanked the women for all the cards, letters, and flowers received during her illness. She stated there was to be a joint meeting of the Woman's Division and the Division of the Women's Society of World Service. They are a much smaller group, but have outstanding leaders and an evangelical ferver that we have lost in our vastness, and it is our hope that some of this ferver will be brought to us. In the past there was an overlapping of activities, which brought about a complete reorganization of the Board of Missions, which was approved by General Conference in 1964. It is hoped that further study and work will take out some of the details and structure to simplify the organization. The Jurisdiction Society/Guild (a completely new structure) will have a planning body, probably consisting only of a President and Secretary, who will be elected at a called meeting at the close of the Regional School of Christian Mission. The title of the Regional Secretary will be "Women's Division Staff Member," located in _____ Region. The Regions will be smaller and two will be added. There will be no bylaws for a while. There will be some pilot projects and it is hoped that the new structure will make for a better conference, district, and local society.

THE REV. K.G. RORIE from the Area Council, suggested that it would be well for the District Presidents to set dates for their Annual Meetings now, so that they would have priority. It was the decision of the District Officers that it would be impossible to do at this time, in view of the prospective changes in the near future.

NOTES FROM OMAHA by Mrs. McGowan: We will have a MERGER with the Central Jurisdiction — that is, we will likely have two conferences in Louisiana. However, designated names for the two are not yet known. MEMORIALS to General Conference are now called PETITIONS. The UNION with the Evangelical United Brethren will be on April 23. The President of the Louisiana Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service and the representative of the Woman's Society of World Service will come together and appoint a Committee on Nominations. This committee will elect it's own chairman. It is hoped that the Society can have the Union at the School of Christian Mission in July and become THE WOMEN'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE OF THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH. A service of ritual will be provided for use in services of this kind. Regarding TENURE: A person will serve no more than four years in one office, and no more than eight years as a Conference or District Officer, EXCEPT to serve a term as president. Local officers would be elected before June 1st (or dates set by conference), but would not take office until September. It is suggested that the present local officers continue in office until September. A joint committee will adopt the bylaws in May. Regarding FINANCES: Local societies will have pledge services in May. General Conference may adopt the

calendar year for the church. After General Conference the Women's Society of World Service will continue (and so will we) to clear commitments already made. Secretary of Supply work has been deleted, but this person would be a good one to serve on the local Committee on Finance as the designated person to promote "Total Giving." There will be no program book until January 1, 1969. However, there will be some suggested resources from the Woman's Division. The first joint resource book for local use will begin in January, 1969.

DISTRICT ANNUAL MEETINGS will be held the last week in March and the first week in April, as scheduled in the Annual Report. The itinerating speaker will be Dr. Francis L. Brockman, Secretary for Cultivation of the Methodist Committee for Overseas Relief. He has recently traveled in India, Vietnam, Hong Kong, and Korea; and will speak of the missionary interests and people of Southeast Asia. The Rev. Mr. Rorie announced that Dr. Brockman would arrive in Shreveport on Monday, March 25, that he will see that he gets to each meeting and take care of his expense. When the tour is completed, the District Societies will reimburse the Rev. Mr. Rorie, paying for Dr. Brockman's entertainment and travel expense within the Conference, during the eight days of the Annual Meetings, pro-rating the expense. The Area Council Office will pay for the Rev. Mr. Rorie's food and lodging.

MRS. BANDEL moved that, in the name of the Conference Executive Committee, the Recording Secretary send an appropriate message to Rev. and Mrs. Rorie on their 25th Wedding Anniversary on April 2.

MRS. GARDNER, as part of her office, has served on the Louisiana Conference Board of Christian Social Concerns, and, through this source, she said she had been assured that the District Secretaries of Christian Social Relations will be invited to attend the planning sessions of the Board of Christian Social Concerns. She asked that the District Presidents urge these officers to cooperate with this board. Mrs. Gardner reported on the meetings of the Louisiana Organization for State Legislation and these programs were discussed. Mrs. Tigner moved that membership in the organization not be renewed. CARRIED. Mrs. McGowan asked that Mrs. Gardner advise Mr. Mark Lower, President of the organization, of this action.

ANNUAL MEETING PROGRAM. Mrs. McGowan asked that we look at the cover of the program, and told that the drawing was done by a professional artist as his interpretation of the vision of Sir Launfal. "He parted in twain his single crust, He broke the ice on the streamlet's brink, And gave the leper to eat and drink, 'Twas a mouldy crust of coarse brown bread, 'Twas water out of a wooden bowl." Mrs. McGowan briefly reviewed the program, and answered questions about it.

SIMPLIFIED REPORTS. District Presidents were asked to remind the Societies using these reports that they have in hand the forms for making the next report.

MRS. McGOWAN asked the District Presidents to send her names of college students who might benefit from attendance of the Jurisdictional Missionary Conference to be held June 24-27 at Mt. Sequoyah.

THE COMMITTEE RECESSED for dinner served at the home of Dr. and Mrs. D.L. Dykes, Jr., assisted by Mrs. George Sexton and Mrs. T. Haller Jackson, courtesy of the host society.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ANNUAL REPORT Chairman, Mrs. Hampton, reported the committee had made the following recommendations: 1) That reports of officers and secretaries of lines of work at the Mid-year Executive Committee Meeting be deleted and reference made to full report, which shall be limited to 200 words, and sent in by May 15. 2) That a composite be made of the reports of the projects. 3) That a sheet be mimeographed and inserted in the Report, when mailed, giving suggestions for its use. 4) That envelopes be printed and made available at Annual Meeting for women to order a Report for $1.15.

CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS Chairman, Mrs. Dameron, presented the recomendations printed below in three sections, moved their adoption, and each motion CARRIED. (Changes are underlined)

Bylaws of the Conference Society (Section 1)

Page 85 — Twenty-Seventh Annual Report:
Amend Article II, Section 1, to read:
There shall be an Executive Committee of the conference society composed of the officers and secretaries; all members of the Division and officers and secretaries of the jurisdiction society residing within the conference; chairmen of committees; the conference historian; the president of each district society . . . . (The remainder of the paragraph is unchanged) (Amended, March 1968)

Page 87 — Twenty-Seventh Annual Report:
Amend Article III, Section 9, (a) and (b), by deletion (Amended, March 1968)

Page 88 — Twenty-Seventh Annual Report:
Amend Section 10 by renumbering to Section 9 (AMENDED, March 1968)
Amend Section 11 by renumbering to Section 10 (Amended, March 1968)

Standing Rules of the Conference Society (Section 2)

Page 91 — Twenty-Seventh Annual Report:
Amend Standing Rule No. 5, to read:
a. The conference society shall pay the expense of the conference president, the recording secretary, the treasurer, and the chairman of the committee on program at a hotel or motel during the Annual Meeting.

b. During the mid-year meeting of the Executive Committee, the conference president and the recording secretary may stay at a hotel or motel at conference expense. (Amended, March 1968)

Amend Standing Rule No. 7, to read:
A typist shall be available at the Annual Meeting for such typing service as may be needed. Expenses shall be paid by the conference society. (Amended, March 1968)

Amend Standing Rule No. 8, by substituting a new Standing Rule No. 8, to read:
The Committees on Program and School of Christian Mission shall meet for organization and planning before leaving the seat of the Annual Meeting. All other Standing Committees shall have this same privilege, and each shall be allowed expenses for one other meeting during the conference year. Each standing committee shall establish its own quorum. (Amended, March 1968)

Amend Standing Rule No. 11, to read:
Officers and secretaries shall provide mailing costs for all communications such as circulars, letters, literature, etc., that are sent to corresponding district officers and secretaries for mailing to local societies. (Amended, March 1968)

Amend Standing Rule No. 14, to read:
Expenses for transportation by car for conference officers and secretaries on official business shall be at the rate of seven cents per mile. (The remainder of Standing Rule 14, is unchanged) (Amended, March 1968)

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Amend Standing Rule No. 24, by deletion (Incorporated into new Standing Rule No. 8) (Amended, March 1968)

Amend Rule 25 by renumbering to Rule 24. (Amended, March 1968)
Amend Rule 26 by renumbering to Rule 25. (Amended, March 1968)
Amend Rule 27 by renumbering to Rule 26. (Amended, March 1968)

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Amend Rule 28 by renumbering to Rule 27. (Amended, March 1968)
Amend Rule 29 by renumbering to Rule 28. (Amended, March 1968)

Add new Standing Rule No. 29, to read:

29. On nomination of the Committee on Nominations, the Executive Committee shall elect a Conference Historian, whose election shall be confirmed at the next Annual Meeting of the conference society. The Historian shall serve for four years, during which time she shall be a member of the Executive Committee.

The Historian shall keep a record of events and actions in the conference Woman's Society and Wesleyan Service Guild which may have historical significance, including published articles and pictures, programs, and other information. She shall make memoranda, as needed, to develop an orderly sequence of events, to supply correct names of persons and their relationship to the society and guild, and shall note those events or actions which mark new programs or policies. She shall be alert to events in the district and local societies and guilds which will help to interpret the life and growth of the Woman's Society and Wesleyan Service Guild in Louisiana. (Added, March 1968)

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Add new Standing Rule No. 30, to read:

30. Twenty-five dollars ($25.00) may be allowed annually for the purchase of audio-visual resources pertinent to the current studies and missionary emphases. These materials shall be selected by the conference Secretary of Missionary Education and Service in consultation with the Dean of the School of Christian Mission, and shall be purchased, if possible, in time for use in the School. They shall be placed in the Audio-Visual Library in the Area Council Office for use throughout the conference. (Added, March 1968)

Bylaws of the District Woman's Society (Section 3)

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Amend Article II, Section 1, to read:

There shall be an Executive Committee of the district society composed of officers, secretaries, and chairmen of committees of the district society; zone leaders; members of the Woman's Division and members of the executive committees of the jurisdiction and conference societies who are members of the district society; and the district superintendent. A majority shall constitute a quorum. (Amended, March 1968)

Mrs. Dameron reported that Mrs. McGowan had referred a recommendation (from a local society) to this committee, and they deemed it an item that could not be handled at this time, due to the pending change in structure.

YOUTH MISSION TOUR—1968. In the absence of Mrs. John Oldham, chairman, Mrs. Howe reported that Mr. and Mrs. John Oldham, and the Rev. and Mrs. Harold Price will be the Directors of the tour. The dates are July 21 to August 3, fee is $90.00. Applications must be in by June 15. The date for return of the applications was discussed at length and Mrs. Howe was asked to contact Mrs. Oldham about this. (Mrs. Oldham authorized, by telephone, changing of this date to May 15).

DISTRICT OFFICER TRAINING will be on Wednesday, April 17, at First Church, Pineville. Every suggestion submitted has been incorporated in the program. Conference officers, now in office, and Mrs. Dameron will lead the training for the District Officers and Zone Leaders who will remain in office and the newly elected District officers and zone leaders. Coffee and doughnuts will be served at 9:00 a.m. and the registration slips will be turned in at that time. General Assembly will be in the Sanctuary promptly at 9:30, and we will adjourn at 3:00 p.m. Mrs. Aycock, Chairman, Mrs. McGowan, Mrs. Gallaher, Mrs. Gross, and Mrs. Tigner, committee members.

EVALUATION OF THE "CHRISTIAN SERVICE TIMES. Mrs. Gordner, chairman, reported for the committee composed of Mrs. W. F. Manning, Jr., Miss Marilyn Carter, Mrs. Howe, and Miss Hermine Tate: The committee met January 10, and it was their thinking that the paper had fulfilled its purpose and in doing so had brought a feeling of closeness between the members of the Woman's Society and the Guild. The committee feels that the paper has even greater potential to help the Society and Guild members. In light of this evaluation, we recommend: 1). That the paper be continued for three years with a very careful evaluation at the end of the publication year (June, 1968 — June, 1969) and again in January 1970; 2). That every effort be made to make the paper self supporting by subscription. To achieve this goal, it is estimated an annual budget of $1,500. will be needed. On June, 1968 the free copy of the paper that is presently being sent to the president of each local society and guild will be stopped, and, it is hoped that the paper will then be on a paying basis through subscriptions. 3). That there be more promotion on the part of the districts, by having one person in each district charged with the responsibility of promoting the paper, said person to be selected by the district president, who will send the name to the conference committee chairman. A similar pattern is suggested for the guild. 4). That when the term of office of the present staff expires, the Editor-in-Chief, Editor of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, Editor of the Wesleyan Service Guild, and Business Manager not hold any other Conference office; and that there be only one Business Manager serving both the Woman's Society and Guild. 5). That each district president and district secretary encourage local presidents to use the paper as an educational tool to benefit the local woman. In a frank and open discussion with some of the staff of the paper, it was decided that the paper could bring more up-to-date information, help in the promotion of lines of work, and bring information on the total program of the Woman's Society and Guild. Mrs. Dameron moved that the committee evaluate the paper at the end of the year. CARRIED. (amendment inserted in these minutes). Mrs. Thomas moved that the recommendations of the committee, as amended be adopted. CARRIED.

TIME OF DISTRICT ANNUAL MEETING. Mrs. Mouton, chairman, reported: "The information at hand regarding the coming structural changes in the Woman's Society was thoroughly studied and discussed. Recognizing the need for serious consideration of what the inter-relationships of the various meetings of the Conference and District will be, their purpose, and what will be required in content; we recommend that, in this period of transition, no immediate change be made in the timing of the District Annual Meetings, but that a more detailed study be made of the overall picture of the up-coming Women's Society of Christian Service and a more conclusive report be presented at a later date." Other members of the committee were: Mesdames Compton, Kirkpatrick and Dean. Mrs. Gross moved that we adopt the recommendation of this committee. CARRIED.

GUIDE LINES FOR ZONE LEADERS. Mrs. Dameron, chairman, reported: The committee sent a questionnaire to all Zone Leaders, District Presidents, Conference Officers, and Secretaries, and a few other selected persons in an effort to to determine the kind of material which would be most helpful to Zone Leaders. Replies were received from 83.1%, and indicated help needed in the following areas: 1) Program ideas; 2) Specific guides, outling duties for zone leaders; 3) Leadership training — interpreting and promoting the work of the Woman's Society; interpreting evaluation reports. Mrs. Dameron reported that the committee, which included Mrs. Tigner and Mrs. Wineinger, had discussed the information received and recommend:

1. a. That the plan of dividing districts into small geographical units be continued.
   b. That these units be called "Sub-districts," rather than "zones," and that the the title "Sub-district Chairman" be substituted for that of "Zone Leader."
2. That there be one or more Standing Rules, applicable for all districts to establishing the following:
   a. A uniform time and method for selecting sub-district chairmen;
   b. The installation of sub-district chairmen at the time district officers are installed;
   c. A uniform method for filling vacancies among sub-district chairmen.
3. That a piece of resource material to be known as **A Guide for Sub-district Chairmen** be prepared for the purposes of:
   a. Providing suggestions which will aid the Sub-district Chairmen in carrying

out her responsibilities, and which will be specific enough to give guidance and flexible enough to be adaptable.

b. Upgrading both the image and importance of the Sub-district Chairmen and the sub-district structure.

4. That the content of **A Guide for Sub-district Chairmen** include the following:

a. A statement on the **Purpose of the Sub-district,** which will point up the importance of a small grouping of societies as (1) an effective link communication between the local society and the district society; (2) as a rather closely knit unit through which areas of development, such as leadership, programming, information and officer responsibility, spiritual growth and Christian fellowship can be achieved in an atmosphere of personal acquaintance; (3) as a place for mutual sharing of ideas and plans, and for training in beyond-the-local-church experiences.

b. An outline of the duties of the Sub-district Chairman, suggesting specific duties which might logically be expected in the light of the purposes of the sub-district outlined above.

c. A statement interpreting the significent relationship which the Sub-district Chairman holds (1) as the liaison person between the local societies in her area and the district soicety; (2) as the first contace person, beyond the local church, who must not only represent the district and canference societies to the lacal group, but must also represent and interpret the local societies and their needs to the larger units.

d. A suggested plan for selecting the Recording Secretary for the sub-district and an outline of duties to be assigned to her.

e. A statement suggesting steps in program planning for the sub-district. This statement will serve to implement the provisians in Article IV, Section 5, of the Bylaws for the District Society (page 95, Twenty-seventh Annual Report) and will offer a plan by which unity (without necessary uniformity for any series of sub-district meetings in a given district) and involvement of local societies in sub-district planning can be achieved.

f. A statement interpreting the role of the local woman as the focal person in the sub-district, suggesting ways of helping her feel involved in, and, in same measure, responsible for, an effective sub-district program.

5. Pending approval of the above recommendations, the committee would like to suggest that a tentative draft of **A Guide for Sub-district Chairmen** be discussed with the Zone Leaders in attendance at the District Officer Training; and that their suggestions, together with those from this body, be incarparated into a second draft of the material, to be approved by the Executive Committee at a time and place to be determined by the Conference President.

Mrs. Dameron moved that these recommendatians be approved. CARRIED. The committee asked for the latest Standing Rules from the District Presidents. By camman consent, the committee was asked to write the Guide Lines.

NOMINATIONS Mrs. Watson, chairman, reported: The following members have consented to allow the use of their names placed in nomination for the following affices: Vice President — Mrs. J.F. Rosett; Secretary — Mrs. L.C. Aycock; Treasurer — Mrs. W.B. Gardner. Chairmen of Program Areas: Christian Social Relations — Mrs. R.E. Carter; Missionary Education — Mrs. Gilbert Bandel. Secretary of Program Materials — Mrs. Robert Compton.

FINANCE. Mrs. Spencer read the following recommendations, which were individually adopted on motion of Mrs. Gallaher, chairman:

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8. That up to $200.00 be allowed for Conference Orientation Day in 1968.
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18. That the Louisiana Conference of the Woman's Society present Mrs. Laskey with an appropriate plaque at the Church Conference Luncheon to be held during Annual Conference in June, and, following investigation as to the feasibility, give an amount up to $500.00 to the Library at Scaritt College in honor of Mrs. Laskey.

NEW BUSINESS

MRS. McGOWAN asked that the Executive Committee approve Mrs. Gardner as chairman of the coordinating team, and Mrs. Aycock as the fourth member of the team for the School of Christian Mission for 1968. This was done by common consent.

REGIONAL COMMITTEE MEETING in Dallas was attended by Mrs. Max Clayton, who asked Mrs. McGowan to state that she, as representative of the Louisiana Conference, reported work we had done with the former Central Jurisdiction. She learned that we would no longer be a part of the Dallas Region, but would be in a new region in this area.

GENERAL CONFERENCE items of interest were announced by Mrs. McGowan: April 20, a reception. April 21, communion; April 22, Dinner for women of the South Central Jurisdiction at Highland Park Methodist Church, fee $2.00 — make reservations through Mrs. McGowan. April 23, 8:30 a.m., Uniting Ceremony.

MEETING OF THE MID-YEAR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. Mrs. Aycock, chairman, reported dates to be October 16 and 17, 1968, at First Church, Natchitoches.

PLANS FOR THE REGIONAL SCHOOL which will be held June 17-21, were announced by Mrs. McGowan. There will be a registration fee of $5.00, and $30.00 will be charged for room and board. Mrs. Dameron will be among those on the staff, serving as Bible Dialogue Chairman.

SCHOOL OF CHRISTIAN MISSION - 1967 Mrs. Max Clayton, dean, sent a written report which showed 230 in application groups, 4 attended leadership sessions only, and 8 leaders, making a total of 242 participants. There were 14 visitors. It was apparent the teachers had made through preparation and there was enthusiastic response with group participation.

SCHOOL OF CHRISTIAN MISSION - 1968 Mrs. Gardner, dean, and Mrs. Aycock, assistant dean, reported: The school will be held at Centenary College July 15-19, 1968. NEW FORMS OF MISSIONS will be taught by Mrs. H.L. Georg, Dr. J.B. Holt, and Dr. J. Woodrow Hearn; using the following texts: "Study Action Manual"

by Claire Randall, and "Ventures in Mission" by Paul Madsen. SOUTHEAST ASIA will be taught by Mrs. Hazel Dabney and Mrs. John Freeman, using the following texts: "Christ and Crisis in Southeast Asia Today" by Addisan Eastman. BIBLE STUDY will be taught by Miss Ethelene Sampley using the Book of John. Mrs. George W. Dameron will be Bible Dialogue Chairman.

SCHOOL OF CHRISTIAN MISSION – 1969. Mrs. Kirkpatrick announced the dates for the School in 1969 will be July 21-27.

HISTORIAN Mrs. Dameron, reported that she had been collecting pictures and clippings of the activities of the Waman's Society and will soon start putting them in same order.

POST-CONFERENCE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
Friday, March 15, 1968

Immediately following the close of the 28th Annual Meeting, the Executive Committee met for lunch and final session.

MRS. McGOWAN announced that there was no business to transact at this time, but there were several announcements made:

COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS WILL be mailed in the near future.

NEW CONFERENCE OFFICERS will not assume duties until June 1, therefore, the Conference Officers who have been serving are responsible for the training of new District Officers, and those remaining in office, in Pineville on April 17th.

ANNUAL REPORT COMMITTEE urged officers to send in reports as early as possible.

THE SPRING EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING was adjourned with prayer.

Mrs. C.B. McGowan, President
Mrs. T.E. Hamptan, Recording Secretary

Approved: Mrs. Garland Dean
Mrs. L.C. Aycock

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WOMAN'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE

"A Cup of Water"

Wednesday, March 13, 1968
Afternoon Session

"I was thirsty and ye gave me drink" . . . Matthew 25:35

1:30	Organ Prelude "Aria– Concerto for Strings"	Handel
	Theme hymn "Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life"	No. 204
	Convening of the Twenty-Eight	
	Annual Meeting	Mrs. C. B. McGowan
	Dedication of the program	Mrs. John Howe, Jr.
	Welcome and Introduction of Committee Chairmen	Mrs. John Adams
	Presentation of Program	Mrs. Robert Reich
	Business	
	Report of Recording Secretary	Mrs. Thomas Hampton
	Recommendations from Executive Committee	
	Appointment of Committees	
	Report of Committee on Constitution and By-laws	Mrs. G. W. Dameron
	Report of Treasurer and Recommendations from Committee on Finance	Mrs. Carl Gallaher
	Announcements	
	Hymn "O Young and Fearless Prophet"	No. 173
	President's Message	Mrs. C. B. McGowan
	Closing Prayer	Rev. P. M. Caraway, Sr.
4:00 – 5:00	Tea at Business Girls' Inn –814 Cotton Street	
	Dinner, First Methodist Church	
	Presiding	Mrs. Garland Dean
	Presentation of work at Dulac Community Center	Rev. Jerry Moon
	Evening Session	
7:45	Organ Prelude "It is Good to Give Thanks to the Lord"	Howell
	Hymn "The Voice of God is Calling"	No. 200
	Scripture and Prayer	Rev. George Pearce, Jr.
	Offering	
	Special Music	Centenary Choir – A. C. Voran, Director
	"Last Words of David"	Thompson
	"O King All Glorious"	Willan
	"All Ye that Cleave unto the Lord"	Freidman
	"Sanctus from the Requiem"	Verdi
	Address	Bishop Aubrey G. Walton
	Benediction	Rev. George Pearce, Jr.

Thursday, March 14, 1968
Morning Session

"Whosoever shall give a drink unto one of these little ones a cup of cold water . . . " Matthew 10:42

8:45	Organ Prelude "Prelude in E. Flat"	Gliere
	Hymn "Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life"	No. 204
	Scripture and Prayer	Mrs. T. E. Kirkpatrick
	Business	
	Election of Officers	
	Election of Delegates to South Central Jurisdiction Society	
	Meet the Women's Society of World Service	Mrs. K. Vernon Taylor
	Coffee	
	Hymn "Rise Up, O Men of God"	No. 174
	Pledge Service	Mrs. Carl Gallaher
	Meditation	Dr. D. L. Dykes, Jr.
12:30	Box Luncheon with Conference Officers, First Methodist Church	
	Afternoon Session	
2:00	Drama "Waiting for Godot"	Beckett
	The Jongleurs, directed by Orlin Corey – Marjorie Lyons Playhouse	
	Panel: Mrs. George Pearce, Jr., Moderator	
	Mr. Orlin Corey — Mrs. Leslie McKenzie	
	Rev. John Winn — Mrs. Paul Hildreth	
6:30	Dinner, First Methodist Church	
	Presiding	Mrs. C. B. McGowan
	Report of District Presidents	Mrs. Wade Stonecipher
	Evening Sessions	
7:45	Organ Prelude "Allegro –Concerto in D Minor	Handel
	Hymn "Once to Every Man and Nation"	No. 242
	Scripture and Prayer	Rev. W. M. McCutcheon
	Offering	
	"Forth in Thy Name"	Young
	"Fill My Cup Lord"	Blanchard
	Chancel Choir of First Methodist Church, Harold Booth, Director	
	Address	Dr. J. Harry Haines
	Benediction	Rev. W. M. McCutcheon

Friday, March 15, 1968
Morning Session

"He parted in twain his single crust,
He broke the ice on the streamlet's brink
'Twas a mouldy crust of coarse brown bread,
'Twas water out of a wooden bowl." . . . Lowell

8:45	Organ Prelude "Adagio"	Frescobaldi
	Hymn "Where Cross the Crowded Way of Life"	No. 204
	Scripture and Prayer	Mrs. Charles Giessen
	Report of Wesleyan Service Guild	Miss Mildred Evans
	"Human Rights in World Perspective"	Mrs. W. B. Gardner
	Hymn "Lord, Whose love through Humble Service"	No. 479
	Business	
	Reports of Committees	
	Place of annual meeting, 1969	
	Report of Registration	
	Resolutions	
	Recognition of retiring officers	Mrs. G. W. Dameron
	Installation of officers	Mrs. George Sexton, Jr.
	Meditation	Dr. D. L. Dykes, Jr.
	Breaking of Bread Ceremony	
	Adjournment	

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Shreveport, Louisiana — March 13, 14, 15, 1968

Following the organ prelude "Aria — Concerto for Strings," rendered by Mrs. Harold Booth, Mrs. A.R. Tipton led the assemblage in singing the theme hymn "Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life."

The twenty eighth Annual Meeting of the Louisiana Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service was convened at 1:30 p.m., March 13, 1968 in the Sanctuary of the First Methodist Church, Shreveport, La., with the President, Mrs. C.B. McGowan, presiding.

DEDICATION OF THE PROGRAM by Mrs. John Howe, Jr. called attention to the theme of the program. She said "A Cup of Water" is one of the oldest religious symbols signifying purity, cleansing, compassion, concern, and the grace of God. It should be administered to everyone in need — in Jesus' name. It is God's message and is not ours to control. Mrs. Robert Reich, chairman of the Committee on Program, passed away February 18th. She has already dedicated this program to God and we can only rededicate it to the glory of God in loving memory of Mrs. Robert Reich.

A WARM WELCOME was extended to the delegates by Mrs. John Adams, president of the host society. She introduced the General Chairman of the local church, Mrs. E.C. Browne, who introduced the many committee chairmen who had prepared for this meeting. The assemblage stood in appreciation of all the work done by these women and their society.

MRS. McGOWAN, conference president, spoke of the death of members and former members of the Conference Executive Committee, who were: Mrs. Robert Reich, Mrs. S.E. Richardson, Miss Sue Batton, and asked the body to stand in memory of them.

MRS McGOWAN announced that all of the past presidents of the Louisiana Conference were present, except Mrs. J.B. Pollard who was unable to attend. The President of Woman's Society, Mrs. McGawan, asked Mrs. Laskey, Mrs. Cadwallader, Mrs. Sexton, Mrs. Dameron, and Mrs. Kilpatrick to stand and told them the flowers in the Sanctuary were given by Mrs. C. H. Shaffer in honor of them. Mrs. McGowan recognized Mrs. K. Vernon Taylor, president of the Missouri Conference Women's Society of World Service of the Evangelical United Brethren; Miss Rosie Ann Cobb, Sager-Brown School; Mr. John Howe, Jr., MacDonell Methodist Center; Doctor Aubrey G. Walton, Resident Bishop of the Louisiana Area; and the Reverend George F. Pearce, Jr., Shreveport District Superintendent.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE were read by Mrs. T.E. Hamptan, Conference Recording Secretary, and approved: 1) Attendance of Mrs. C.B. McGowan and Mrs. W.B. Gardner at a Consultation in Oklahoma City on November 27-29, to assess what has happened in the merger process with overlapping Annual Conferences in the South Central Jurisdiction. 2) Invitatian to Mrs. K. Vernon Taylor, President of the Missouri Conference, Women's Society of World Service, Evangelical United Brethren, to become a part of the Executive Committee of the Louisiana Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service. 3) The Louisiana Conference Woman's Society sponsoring a Youth Mission Taur from July 21 to August 3.

COMMUNICATIONS were read from Dr. Dana Dawson, minister of the First Methodist Church, Baton Rouge, and the Woman's Society of that Church. A communication was also read from Miss Shiela Nuttall, Louisiana Deaconess now serving in Findlay, Ohio.

COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS were read by the Recording Secretary as follows: **Journal:** Mesdames Garland Dean and L.C. Aycock; **Courtesies:** Mesdames Robert Compton, Lucille Goodwin, and Robert Gingham; **Tellers:** Mesdames George H. Thomas and T. E. Kirkpatrick, Chairman and Assistant chairman **Alexandria:** Distributing, Mrs. T. C. Young; Counting, Mrs. Luther Rane. **Baton Rouge:** Distributing, Mrs. John Nelson; Counting, Mrs. William Thomasson. **Lafayette:** Distributing, Mrs. Spiller Milton; Counting, Mrs. Charles Cain. **Lake Charles:** Distributing, Mrs. Tom McBride; Counting, Mrs. Ruby Pierce. **Monroe:** Distributing, Mrs. Thomas Guthrie, Jr.; Counting, Mrs. W. R. Olsen. **New Orleans:** Distributing, Mrs. Truman Ward; Counting, Mrs. Warren Orr. **Ruston:** Distributing, Mrs. James Kelly; Counting, Mrs. J. T. Spencer. **Shreveport:** Distributing, Mrs. Stanley Burgess; Counting, Mrs. Robert Hill.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE were read by the Recording Secretary, who moved that they be approved. CARRIED. The items approved were:

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TREASURER, Mrs. Carl Gallaher, spoke of "Good News." In 1940 the total giving was $32,175, 1950-51 it was $97,728, 1960-61 it was $152,731, and in 1965-66 it was $171,505. This great increased giving is "Good News." Let us now look at the future in our efforts to meet the un-met needs of the World.

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS (Which had been approved by the Executive Committee) were read by the Chairman, Mrs. G. W. Dameron, who moved that they be approved. CARRIED. These amendments were printed in full on pages 38 and 39.

VICE-PRESIDENT, Mrs. J.B. Mouton, introduced the President, Mrs. C.B. McGowan, who told of the preparation of her address, which started a year ago; but now she knew the material she had prepared was not what the Methodist Woman wanted to hear at this time, so she would talk about some of the changes taking place in our organization. The President's Address, "BUSINESS AS USUAL?" will be found on page 53.

THE CLOSING PRAYER was given by the Rev. William M. McCutcheon, Associate Minister of the host church.

TEA AT BUSINESS GIRLS' INN was beautifully hosted by the girls who live there, assisted by the Director, Mrs. Maxine Watkins, and the ladies of Noel and First Church. A tour of the facilities and informal conversation with the girls was most enjoyable and informative.

DINNER was served in Bain Hall, First Methodist Church, with Mrs. Garland Dean presiding. Invocation was given by Bishop Aubrey G. Walton. Mrs. Dean presented the Rev. Jerry Moon, Director of Dulac Community Center, who referred to the Center's beginning which was concerned only with the Indian; but, in the Bayou Country, there were white and negro people who needed the same thing, so the program was broadened to include them. He said their greatest need is not more books, medicine, food, and supplies, but personnel.

EVENING SERVICE in the Sanctuary was opened with the singing of "The Voice of God is Calling," followed by scripture and prayer given by the Reverend George Pearce, Jr., Shreveport District Superintendent. Several numbers were offered by the Centenary College Choir, under the direction of Mr. A.C. Voran. Mrs. McGowan presented Bishop Aubrey G. Walton, whose message was "Christ, the Hope of the World," in which he projected that the world of today needs the hope of Christ, and to know that God will never give us up. Bishop Walton said he had again read the story of Sir Launfall's search for the "Holy Grail" and its message: "not what we

give, but what we share; for the gift without the giver is bare. He, who with his alms feeds three, himself, his hungering neighbor, and me." It is a message for us today. The service was closed with benediction by the Reverend Mr. Pearce.

THURSDAY

The morning session was opened with Mrs. Harold Booth playing "Prelude in E Flat," followed by the singing of the theme son, "Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life," led by Mrs. A.R. Tipton. Mrs. T.E. Kirkpatrick, Shreveport District President, read Paul's Letter from the 12th chapter of Romans, and closed with the suggestion that "When it is difficult to accept change, take a look at the reasons for change."

THE PRESIDENT asked the Recording Secretary to read the Standing Rule with regard to those eligilbe to vote in the Annual Meeting. Mrs. Thomas and Mrs. Kirkpatrick, Chairman and Co-chairman of the Tellers, established the voting strength by count, as 156. The names of the Tellers, both Distributing and Counting, were read again.

THE PRESIDENT asked the Recording Secretary to read the section of the bylaws which authorizes the Committee on Nominations.

CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS, Mrs. Wideman Watson, reported: The following members have consented to allow their names to be placed in nomination for the following offices: Vice-President, Mrs. J.F. Rosett; Secretary, Mrs. L.C. Aycock; Treasurer, Mrs. W.B. Gardner; Chairman Christian Social Relations, Mrs. E.R. Carter; Chairman Missionary Education, Mrs. Gilbert Bandel; Secretary of Program Materials, Mrs. Robert Compton. The President asked for nominations from the floor and there were none. Mrs. Kirkpatrick moved that since there were no nominations from the floor, the vote be taken by voice and the nominees be elected by acclamation. CARRIED.

The Recording Secretary read from Article IV of the bylaws, which calls for the election of six persons for membership in the Jurisdiction Society. Mrs. McGowan explained that the president, treasurer, and chairman of Wesleyan Service Guild shall be three of the six, by virtue of their office and the other three shall be elected by name. The voting strength was then established as 161, and distributing tellers passed the ballotts. Mrs. John Howe, Mrs. Gilbert Bandel, Mrs. L.C. Aycock. and Mrs. Robert Compton were nominated. Mrs. William Peeples moved the nominations cease. CARRIED. The distributing tellers collected the ballots, and the counting tellers retired to count the votes.

MRS. K. VERNON TAYLOR, President of the Missouri Conference Women's Society of World Service, Evangelical United Brethren, was introduced by Mrs. McGowan. Mrs. Taylor repeated the name of the Society and the Church and commented that it is a long name and that some would shorten it, but she was very proud of the name for it had real meaning to her: First: We are **EVANGELICAL.** The church is, and expects, all its members to be a witness to personal experience in Christ. Second: We are **UNITED.** The church is a partnership in Christ. The seal of the Church, with its clasped hands and cross, identifies this fact. Third: We are **BRETHREN.** The church is a fellowship ready to cooperate with other communions, glad to acknowledge that we are members of the House of God.

The Evangelical United Brethren church as it is today came into being at 9:00 a.m. November 16, 1946 at Johnstown, Pennsylvania. The church is distinctly American. For the whole story, she suggested "The History of the Evangelical Church" or the "History of the United Brethren Church." The latest is "These Evangelical United Brethren" by Paul H. Eller. She spoke of many incidents common to The Methodist and Evangelical United Brethren churches. Phillip William Otterbein, who is known as the human founder of the church of the United Brethren in Christ, preached (with other missionaries sent to the new world) the Gospel to his fellow countrymen. Numbered among this group of missionaries was Frances Asbury and John Wesley. Here were found streams of spiritual life with similar emphasis — for these preachers, salvation was the center of thought and expression. A friendship developed in the revival movement as Otterbein worked with the German speaking

people and Asbury with the English speaking people. There are indications that the friends planned the merging of the two groups into one denomination, but the language barrier kept them apart. During the early years, the doctrines and methods of work were almost identical, so repeated efforts were made to unite the Methodist and the followers of Otterbein and Albright.

The first Women's Missionary Society of the Evangelical Church was formed in 1839 in Philadelphia. However, the constitution for such an organization was not ratified by the Board of Missions until 1884. Their motto was "A Women's Missionary Society in every church and every woman in the church a member of the Society." The name, "Women's Society of World Service" is appropriate; for it implies that its service covers the whole of a church woman's world — her home, her local church, her community, her nation, and her world. Its purpose is to make Christ known throughout the world, and to develop a personal responsibility for the whole task of the church. Its scope includes the needs and interests of today's women and the concerns and responsibilities of the church in todays world. Its membership is extended to any woman who accepts the purpose and is willing to participate in the work of the society through prayer, giving, and service.

She explained the structure of the society, the extent of their mission work, their local activities, and their program coverage. She pointed out that for many years we hove been similar, but smaller; we have the same purpose, to make Christ known throughout the world; and we have the same Savior to show to the nation.

In closing, Mrs. Taylor said the Evangelical United Brethren proudly bring their heritage to the Conference floor in Dallas and are well prepared to turn with renewed courage to face the daily common task — to comprehend our mission and to perform it where we live and in all the world.

COFFEE. Mrs. McGowan announced that for many years evaluation sheets have asked for a coffee break on this morning, so we will recess for twenty minutes, and ask that you return promptly when the bell rings. Delegates returned to the Sanctuary and sang "Rise Up, O Men of God."

TELLERS' REPORT was given by the chairman, Mrs. Thomas, who announced that the three elected delegates to the South-Central Jurisdiction would be Mrs. Howe, with 138 votes; Mrs. Aycock, with 134; and Mrs. Bandel, with 107. Mrs. Kirkpatrick moved that Mrs. Compton, having received 96 votes which was the next largest number, be the first alternate. CARRIED. Mrs. Cudd moved that the two remaining conference officers, Mrs. Rosett and Mrs. Carter, become the alternate delegates in that order. CARRIED. Mrs. McGowan stated that since we are asked to have four alternates and we only have three eligible, we will ask the Guild to elect one.

PLEDGE SERVICE was conducted by Mrs. Gallaher, assisted by the District Treasurers and Mrs. Ray Cobrun, soloist. Mrs. Gallaher spoke of the great importance of water, since the beginning of time, and that "a cup of water," real or symbolic, is an act of compassion to be offered in the name of Christ. If we offer a cup of water, our cup must first be filled at the living well. The District Treasurers made their pledges as they poured their cup of cold water over the world. Mrs. McGowan accepted from Mrs. Gallaher the total pledge of $176,826.

MRS. LASKEY, President of the Woman's Division, told the assemblage "My Cup Runneth Over," as she expressed her deep appreciation for the cards, letters, telegrams, and many wonderful things done for her during her illness. More than that has been the love and prayers of oll the women. The years of work in the Woman's Society of Christian Service have been so wonderful, and I would say to those who are here for the first time, "Please do not close the door." The work of the Woman's Society is wonderful and all of the women are interested and eager to go forward. For your undergirding and prayers during my term of office, "My Cup Runneth Over."

NOON MEDITATION was given by Dr. D.L. Dykes, Jr., minister of First Methodist Church, who took his text from Matt. 10:42. He reminded us of one of the first Bible verses most of us learned, "God is love," also "God is all Power;" and then, the equation that things equal to the same thing are equal to each other, therefore "Love is Power" and love never fails. He mentioned several kinds of love and

described the **Christian love** as an **unconditional** love which does not require that a person deserve a cup of water.

BOX LUNCHES were provided so the local and district officers could meet with their corresponding conference officers for a time of fellowship and discussion of office responsibilities.

"WAITING FOR GODOT," a drama by Beckett, in which he gives his reaction to his experience of the story of the Passion, was presented by **The Jongleurs**, under the direction of Orin Corey in the Marjorie Lyons Playhouse of Centenary College. The play was followed by a panel discussion moderated by Mrs. George Pearce, Jr. Other panelists were Mr. Orin Corey, Mrs. Leslie McKenzie, the Rev. John Winn, and Mrs. Paul Hildreth.

DINNER was served in Boins Hall, with Mrs. McGowan presiding. The **Report of the District Presidents** was a composite of colored slides collected by the District Presidents from the local societies in their districts. Mrs. Stoneciper, president of the Baton Rouge District, supervised the writing of the script and showing of the slides, which was a very effective report of the work throughout the Conference.

THE EVENING SERVICE opened with the hymn, "Once to Every Man and Nation," followed by scripture (Matt. 25:31-46) and prayer by the Rev. W.M. McCutcheon, Associate Minister of First church. The Chancel Choir, directed by Harold Booth, sang "Forth in Thy Name" and "Fill My Cup Lord." Mrs. McGowan introduced the speaker, Dr. J. Harry Haines, General Secretary of the Methodist Committee for Overseas Relief, who said "The crisis of bread is greater than that of nuclear war;" there is more suffering in the world as the gap broadens between the "haves" and the "have nots." Some of the reasons for man's suffering are: man's inhumanity to man; the capacity of man to inflict suffering to others; and the need for bread. Dr. Haines, having recently been to most of the trouble spots of the world, reported that ten thousand people die of hunger every 24 hours and, of all these places, none signifies utter misery more than does the city of Calcutta, India. He felt that without communism, we would still have had revolution in Asia. In speaking of Bishop Herbert Welch, the promoter of M.C.O.R., Dr. Haines said he has been called "the voice of conscience in the Methodist Church." Bishop Welch's plan called for three "Cs": 1) COMPASSION, with "gut response," creative and imaginative, and, realizing that you can destroy people with kindness, provision of a means for people to meet their own needs; 2) CONTINUOUS, not here today and gone tomorrow — stay with people until they can help themselves, remembering that **He was never weary in His giving.** We have operations in 46 countries; 3) COOPERATIVE, we have joined with the Lutherans, Presbyterians, and others helping over two million refugees in Viet-Nam. Referring to the seldom used scripture in Ecclesiastes 10:18, his closing prayer was "Lord, we do this in Thy name so men may eat their bread in laughter and not in tears." The benediction was given by the Rev. Mr. McCutcheon.

FRIDAY

"WHERE CROSS THE CROWDED WAYS OF LIFE," the theme hymn, opened the morning session. Mrs. Charles Giessen, South Central Jurisdiction Secretary of Missionary Personnel, read the scripture and prayed for peace in our hearts and peace in our world.

MRS. W.B. GARDNER, Conference Secretary of Christian Social Relations, introduced Dr. Haines, who announced his topic for the morning was "What Does Christ Expect of His Church in a Changing World." However, he said so many people had asked him "What can we do?" since he spoke last evening, that he would answer that question first: 1) Study and know what the real issues are; and he recommended reading "Two Viet Nams" by Bernard Fall, and "Beyond Viet Nam" by Edward Reischeaur. 2) Give. There are times of sacrificial gifts for M.C.O.R. 3) Help find ten nurses, doctors, and social workers to go to Viet Nam.

Referring to the topic, "What Does Christ Expect of His Church in a Changing World?," Dr. Haines said there are clear directions in the Bible: A call to unity, and a call to mission. Everyone must be able to say "This is my Father's House.'

The ecumenical movement is the movement of the Holy Church whereby the whole church takes the whole gospel to the whole world. Our unity in mission is that "Men may believe." There are ways we will be tested: 1) By decisions we make — in a new search for truth through dialogue — begin with: a) Catholic Church; b) Christians in the Communist World; c) Other churches; d) Between generations; e) With the world of Judaism; f) With non-christian faiths. 2) Where we are willing to be involved in the arena of God's World — the religion of technology; Who is God? Who is Jesus Christ? Who is the Holy Spirit? Today there are 3.75 billion people. In 35 years there will be six billion. 3) Understanding of the new structure of the Church — the unity of Christ will be expressed as we break bread. In ten years, you will not see a Methodist Church in Asia; in Japan, we are a part of the United Church of Christ. The churches are coming together, but it is to serve the needs of men and women everywhere. The call to unity has no meaning unless it means throwing open the doors and going forth in His name to serve and to love.

MRS. McGOWAN recognized Mrs. Maxine Watkins, director of Business Girls' Inn; Miss Patricia Smith, Dulac Community Center; Miss Louise Sharp, Executive director of St. Mark's Community Center; and Rev. Jerry Moon, director of Dulac Community Center. The staff of Dulac Community Center was also recognized.

MISS MILDRED EVANS, Conference Secretary of Wesleyan Service Guild, gave her report which will be found on page 97.

COMMUNICATION was read from Mrs. Norris McMillen, president of the Southwest Texas Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service. The recording secretary was asked to acknowledge this communication.

COMMITTEE ON JOURNAL reported the minutes had been examined to date, found in order, and requested the privilege to examining the action of this day after this session is over.

Mrs. Garland Dean
Mrs. L.C. Aycock

SCHOOL OF CHRISTIAN MISSION dean, Mrs. W.B. Gardner, reported the school will be held at Centenary College July 15-19, 1968, and discussed the topics and staff. See page 66.

THE PRESIDENT announced the offering had come to $402.00 which will be sued for Missions in memory of Mrs. Robert Reich, Mrs. S.E. Richardson, and Miss Sue Battan, as formerly stipulated.

YOUTH MISSION TOUR — 1968. Mrs. Hawe explained that the tour this year would go into Louisiana, Alabama, North Carolina, and Mississippi. She asked that the delegates refer to their packets for the details of the tour and to change the date for return af applications to **May 15.**

COMMITTEE ON COURTESIES report was read by Mrs. Compton and adopted by a rising vote:

"As we come to the close of this Annual Meeting, the final one of our Woman's Society of Christian Service, we can say with rejoicing in the words of the psalmist, "Our cup runneth over.'

"We are thankful for the unlimited and many unnamed courtesies that have been extended to us by the women of this church and the churches of the Shreveport District. They have unstintingly given of their time and talents by service, music, gifts, and flowers, to make our stay a joy. We are thankful for the hostesses, the church staff, the choir, and the many others who have labored for months on plans . . . and those who have faithfully carried out these plans.

"We are grateful for the enrichment received from messages brought to us by our president, Mrs. C.B. McGowan; our project worker, the Rev. Jerry Moon; our Bishop, the Dr. Aubrey Walton; our uniting member, Mrs. K. Vernon Taylor; our host pastor, Dr. D.L. Dykes, Jr.; the general secretary of M.C.O.R., Dr. J. Harry Haines; and the many others who brought us **information** and **inspiration** and

challenge. Our cups were filled.

"We are appreciative for the beauty of the music and drama that was presented to us by Centenary College, and for the hospitality given by the Business Girl's Inn.

"As we come to the close of this program and an era of our church history, we feel special mention should be made of all of those who have, in service and love, given of themselves to the Woman's Society of Christian Service, especially Mrs. Glenn Laskey, president of the Woman's Division and the other dedicated leaders who have served throughout the year.

"As we have been lead in new experiences of worship, and relived old and lasting truths, we thank God for the creativity and talents of our program choirman; Mrs. Robert Reich, in whose memory we dedicate this resolution.

Mrs. Robert Compton
Mrs. Lucille Goodwin
Mrs. R.M.Bingham."

MRS. JAMES B. HARRIS, chairman of registration for the Annual Meeting, reported a total registered attendance of 355, which included the president of the division, 1 jurisdiction officer, 13 conference officers, 124 delegates from local societies, 42 district officers, 7 workers, 4 past presidents, 5 conference guests, and 238 visitors. There were 102 societies sending delegates and there were 11 societies represented who had not sent delegates.

AN INVITATION FOR THE 1969 ANNUAL. MEETING to be held at First Church, Alexandria was very cleverly issued by Mrs. C.E. Ewing, Jr., president of the Woman's Society, First Church, and Mrs. Luther Rone, president, Woman's Society, Trinity Church. The invitation was immediately accepted by the assemblage.

RETIRING CONFERENCE OFFICERS were recognized by Mrs. G.W. Dameron, immediate past president. With an expression of appreciation for their years of service, Special Memberships were presented to Mesdames Garland Dean, L.C. Aycock, Carl Gallaher, J.B. Mouton, R.M. Bingham, and T.E. Hampton. A gift to missions was made in honor of Mrs. Wideman Watson, who had formerly recieved all the Special Memberships. Special Memberships were presented in absentia to Mesdames John Oldham and Max Clayton.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS was conducted by Mrs. George Sexton, former Conference President, who impressively challenged the newly elected officers and all Methodist Women to give of their best. Those installed were: Mrs. L.C. Aycock, Secretary; Mrs. W.B. Gardner, Treasurer; Mrs. R.E. Carter, Chairman Christian Social Relations; Mrs. Gilbert Bandel, Chairman Missionary Education; and Mrs. Robert Compton, Secretary of Program Materials. Vice President, Mrs. J.F. Rosett, was absent.

MEDITATION was given by Dr. Dykes on the concept of God, recalling the prophet, Amos, likening Him to a great and just king; Hosea, speaking of Him in comparison with human love. Jesus gave the first clear picture: God is like a good heavenly father. He is the God of a person — God knows your name! It was said of His followers: "see how those Christians love one another."

THE BREAKING OF BREAD CEREMONY was directed by Dr. Dykes, assisted by ushers who passed the baskets of bread down each row of the sanctuary. The three stages of the ceremony, with a background of scripture, meditation, and song, brought out The Breaking of Bread is a sign of **FELLOWSHIP.** The Breaking of Bread is a sign of the **RECOGNITION OF UNIVERSAL NEED.** The Breaking of Bread is a sign of **RECEIVING CHRIST-GIVEN ETERNAL LIFE.** At the close of this ceremony, Dr. Dykes pronounced the benediction and Mrs. McGowan declared the twenty-eighth Annual Meeting adjourned.

INFORMAL LUNCH was served in Bains Hall by the Societies of Christ Church, Summer Grove, Cedar Grove, and Caddo Heights Methodist Churches.

Mrs. C.B. McGowan, President
Mrs. T.E. Hampton, Recording Secretary

Approved: Mrs. Garland Dean, Jr..
Mrs. L.C. Aycock

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Mrs. C.B. McGowan

BUSINESS AS USUAL?

Several years ago, in a book "Claimed by God for Missions" by Dr. Eugene Stockwell, there was recounted, in the introduction, a dream in which everything we had taken for granted as a part of the life of a congregation and of church structure was swept away. Nothing had to be as it had always been before. This is a dream that has haunted me for this question, "What would we do if this happened to the Woman's Society of Christian Service and to the Wesleyan Service Guild?" kept recurring to me. We would have no president of the Woman's Division, no Board of Missions, no Jurisdiction Society, no Conference Society, no District Society — just the local woman who would have the opportunity to start anew in accepting the call of Jesus. Would we form an organization without structure, no program book, no budget? What would we do to make Christ the center of the organization and to build the new structure around the carrying out of His commission to go forth and preach the gospel; to use this organization to show forth His love for His fellow man; and to love our neighbors as ourselves; to carry out His command to feed the hungry, care for the sick, visit the prisons, clothe the naked? Would we build a new structure that would be flexible enough to let us be free of it, yet work within it? I wonder.

In the "Vision of Sir Launfal," by James Russell Lowell, the English nobleman fell asleep. He, too, had an epic dream in which he organized his entire life around the quest of the Holy Grail.

Both of these dreams started with a desire to do something that would make something come true. What was the motivation or stimulation that caused such dreams?

Do Channels Hamper us in Reaching Goals?

In our structured church and societies, we, too, have had a goal to reach; a mission to carry out — but somehow we've had our eyes so on the goal that we've had to have definite channels through which to work. In some ways, it is like the spreading menace of the super highways which keep us from seeing what is to either side of us on the ground below, or the community around us.

I was asked these questions, "If you honestly believe that certain things are right and that God is working through you and the organization which you represent, would you take a definite stand on questions that would lessen the giving to World Service and thus hamper the program of missions that is carried out by that agency? Would you be willing to take a stand on a question that might mean ostracism from the members of your own Chruch group? These questions I've pondered in my heart. I share them with you. What would <u>you</u> do if given the opportunity?

For two years, our church and society have been engaged in a study on ecumenism. We've seemed to close our eyes and ears to the facts involved, to the dreams of a new church, to what it would mean to us to become a part of the Consultation on Church Union. No longer can we fail to recognize that what has long been written and talked about is now a reality. We are, as Methodists, involved.

Union Brings Changes

We are at the point of forming a union with another denomination—not a Methodist Church, but one with which we have much in common, The Evangelical United Brethren. After the Uniting Conference, held during General Conference in Dallas, April 21-May 4, we will become The United Methodist Church — The Women's Society of Christian Service. This will be a new church, a new society, after the Conference organizational meeting. So far, the plans for the Women's Society of Christian Service are loosely structured. We are being given an opportunity to be creative; to move as we feel God is calling us to concern ourselves as a fellowship of Christian people with things that will be costly to ourselves; to carry Christ's banner into

those places where He would have us go; to share ourselves with the beggar at our door, a person who no longer cries for alms, but for dignity, for the privilege of becoming what he is meant to be.

We already have structures through which we could have worked but perhaps we climbed too high on the scaffolding and were afraid to look below for fear of falling, of seeing that which we did not want to see. Have we sat complacently in our comfortable pews, looking at our beautiful stained glass windows which persent to us pictures to stir our emotions, pictures of Jesus ministering to those around him in need, but shutting out our view of those outside the Church who do not see the picture we see. They see only colored glass put together with strips of lead; the colors of life through which the sun does not shine to show God's Love.

Yes, many questions are asked of us. The church, the Woman's Society, and Wesleyan Service Guild have had much criticism from within, by their members. Have we completely lost our individual concern for those around us, for our call to witness to God's love that the world may know? No! I believe that it is these very concerns, this imperative call to witness that is making us move forth into new structures. We will no longer be The Methodist Church, The Woman's Society of Christian Service — we are being given another opportunity.

In Louisiana, there are only two churches of the Evangelical United Brethren communion, one in Jennings, the other in Roanoke. The union of our two denominations will not carry into the new church and society all of those things which each has held as a heritage. We as Methodists, though the larger of the two denominations and society are not saying, "Come into our denomination and society." The Evangelical United Brethren are not saying "Come into our denomination and society." Neither denomination will absorb the other. Together, we will begin anew and lay a new foundation of faith and trust.

In a union there is implied a meaning of becoming a part of each other — a new being — a new organization. It is not going to be easy for us in Louisiana to realize that we are not to go on as before, in the same old way. We must capture a vision and try to realize the potential of the opportunity that is being given to us. Our new purpose embodies God's underlying plan for us.

Significant Changes in Jurisdiction Set-Up

In the structure of the Women's Society and Guild, one part of the disturbing dream has almost become a reality. The Jurisdiction Society will no longer be a channel from the Women's Division to the Conference Society. It will be a core group involved in planning and evaluating. It will be known as the Jurisdiction Women's Society-Guild. This will mean a giving up of the separateness of the Guild and The Women's Society on the Jurisdiction level, but it will encourage the bringing together of the Christian Women in a common purpose. It is in the Jurisdiction level that the most experimental structure and creative program is planned by the Women's Division. The change in structure and function grew largely out of conclusions resulting from three consultations in the spring of 1967. The consultations concluded: (1) that some form of Jurisdiction structure is needed, but that it need not be a reproduction of the Conference Society and Guild; (2) that the structure should be flexible, integrative, and of a nature to assure necessary continuity in program, education, and action; and (3) that an ad hoc committee arrangement would involve persons with special skills and interests. Jurisdiction task groups for the 1968-1972 Quadrennium will be determined by the Jurisdiction core group on the basis of special needs, taking account of responsibilities such as merger and union; Ecumenical development; pilot experimentation; churchwide or total church programs and relationships; current World Issues and new forms of mission.

Fewer Officers

You will find that there are to be fewer officers. On the Conference and District — provision is made for eight officers. Some of these will be chairmen, but they will all be called officers. The program areas of Christian Social Relations, Missionary Education and Spiritual Growth will be headed by Chairmen indicating that a Committee may be named to work in these areas. In Conference and District work, the Wesleyan

Service Guild leader will be called Chairman rather than secretary. In the Women's Society, the secretary will be designated simply as secretary — not recording secretary. In the local society, the secretary will order the literature. The treasurer will carry her regular responsibilities; a member of the Committee on Finance will carry responsibility formerly carried by the secretary of supply work. This does not have to be a treasurer. It is expected that **Missionary Personnel** and **Campus Ministry** will be concerns in depth of the local church. Since membership is locally based, it will be cultivated seriously in the local society and guild, hopefully with a strong committee on membership; a joint committee in churches that have both society and Guild. Responsibility in the committee on Local Church Responsibility is expected to be more meaningful than activities.

As yet, no by-laws defining the duties of officers and committee chairmen have been written.

Local officers are to be elected by June 1st and will take office in September. This will give them the opportunity to take advantage of all training offered. Most of our societies have already elected their officers. These will be the ones to attend the School of Christian Mission.

We do not have all of the answers. More information will be forthcoming from time to time and will be shared with you.

In October, we will have charter programs, special services will be provided for local societies. We are not to take our new name until September.

I ask that you continue your fine work with the Church, to work together in creative Christian ways. In Conference, District, and Local Societies there is the plan for a closer relationship of the Women's Society and the Wesleyan Service Guild.

In the new conference society, old molds will be broken, new opportunities given to take advantage of the realization of a new organization, to let our humaness show — to realize that no longer do we have to go afar to be in mission; though this, too, is a part; but, like Sir Launfal, to find in our own midst those with whom we must share God's love — and ourselves — so that we, as well as they, may find Jesus Christ where we are.

We must get a new vision, a new challenge, an excitement, as we go into something that is far bigger than what we have been before. To seize the opportunity to work through the needs which are around us, to find Christ Himself, to hear him say to us, "Lo, it is I, be not afraid, go forth, witness in my name."

Yes, we need to grasp the excitement in the realization that we will not carry on business as usual. You may not have a single member of the Evangelical United Brethren to form an actual union with you — but accept this new opportunity, for with Lamb —

"I believe
That I enter a glorious new year
To be filled with prayer and praise
With service to God and mankind,
With inspired and creative activity.

I believe
His love is shining in my body.
His wisdom guides my mind,
His peace fills me with poise,
His strength is ever at my call.

Oh, I believe
That this is God's new year."
—Lamb

No, business will not go on as usual.

REPORTS OF CONFERENCE OFFICERS

VICE PRESIDENT

Mrs. J.B. Mouton, Sr.

The office of the Vice President has endeavored to understand, os far as possible, what is taking place and shape in this last year of the quadrennium of The Methodist Church and Woman's Society, what lies in the future and how we can meet the challenge of the days which will be given to us.

Participation as a Trustee of the Louisiana Moral and Civic Foundation and a member of the Board of Directors of the MacDanell and Dulac mission projects has been a privilege and a joy. The services of these institutions, and what they have to offer in research for assisting adults and children in Louisiana wha are in need of special attention to adjust to life, have been at the disposal of the committees on program of the Woman's Societies in the Conference.

Attendance at the meetings of the Jurisdiction Society at Mt. Sequoyah for training, the Assembly of Church Women United at Purdue University in Lafayette, Indiano, the Annual Meeting of the Jurisdiction in Omaha, Nebraska and the uniting ceremonies at the General Conference of the Church at Dallas, Texas were inspirations and opportunities for study and learning. A sincere attempt to share these experiences with the vice presidents of the district and local societies was made many times and is still making a contribution in the area of program.

Guidance toward an understanding of the issues involved in the merger with the Evangelical United Brethern and the disposition of the Central Jurisdiction, have been of special concern of the vice presidents. Having these issues presented and shared, with the local societies through program has, we hope, been helpful. At this time of change in structure within the church ond society, it has been pointed out in group meetings with vice presidents both at Annual Meeting and district officer's training, that concentrated study and dedication will be required by each one to guide The United Methodist Church, through the area of program, in achieving the restated purpose of the Woman's Society of Christian Service to: "grow in understanding and spiritual power; increase their knowledge of the needs in the world; and share through witness and service in the outreach of the Church."

RECORDING SECRETARY

Mrs. T.E. Hampton

The work of the recording secretary started this year with the completian of the compiling, editing, and distribution of the Twenty-Seventh Annual Report which was dedicated to **The Local Woman.** May work could not be done without the **Local and District recording secretaries,** who provide the information from "where they are." Together, we have learned more about the importance of correct names and addresses; and the value of accurate and permanent records, so future Wamen's Societies may read our history.

The conference officers report the wark they have done, the information they have gleaned as they represented this conference society at seminors and other meetings. The conference committee chairmen, both standing and special, report the results of their research and study. It has been my privilege to record these reports, along with the action taken and recommendations made by the conference executive committee. This has revealed a vast scope of Christian service.

This Twenty-Eighth Annual Report contains the last records of the **Louisiana Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service of The Methodist Church** and the beginning of the **Louisiana Conference Women's Society of Christian Service of The United Methodist Church.** It is easy to see that my cup has been filled to overflowing by the local, district, and conference officers; and it is my prayer that these records will be a means of sharing this cup with many Methodist Women.

TREASURER

Mrs. Carl Gallaher

Financial Statement
May 20, 1967 thru May 20, 1968

Explanation		Details		Amount
Cash Balance May 20, 1967				
Whitney National Bank, New Orleans			8,764.66	
Rapides Bldg. & Loan Assn., Alexandria La.			3,000.00	
First Federal Savings & Loan Assn. Alexandria, La.			1,538.47	13,303.13
Receipts:	**Pledged**	**Paid**		
Alexandria	14,250.00	13,071.40		
Baton Rouge	22,589.00	22,589.17		
Lafayette	12,480.00	12,869.87		
Lake Charles	18,774.00	18,248.22		
Monroe	18,744.00	16,664.24		
New Orleans	21,480.00	21,746.56		
Ruston	15,928.00	15,429.66		
Shreveport	32,040.00	31,559.76		
Totals	156,285.00		152,178.88	
Conference W.S.C.S.				
Offering School of Christian Mission		197.30		
In Remembrance Gift		10.00		
Offering Annual Meeting		402.00		
Conference Guild:				
Corsage for Missions		114.50		
Offering Guild Weekend		159.04		
Offering Annual Meeting		156.00	1,038.84	
Permanent Fund Interest (Perpetual Membership, Haynesville Methodist Church)			4.50	
Total Paid on Conference Pledges			153,222.22	
Other:				
Supply Work		28,416.38		
Call to Prayer		9,107.44		
Supplementary Crusade Scholarship W.S.C.S.		10.00		
Magazine and Picture Fund		177.50		
MacDonell Methodist Center Bldg. Fund		4,204.64	41,915.96	
Louisiana Moral & Civic Foundation		1,744.95		
Transient Fund		293.31	2,038.26	
Total			197,176.44	

Brought Forward			$197,176.44
Returns to Cultivation:			
Refunds:			
School of Christian Mission	187.80		
Office Expense	3.00		
Service Center	4.60		
Dividends Rapides Bldg. & Loan Assn.	144.10		
Regional School of Christian Mission	35.42		
Percentage, Literature Sold School of Christian Mission	103.38		
Membership Packets Sold	14.10		
Annual Reports Sold	16.95		
Christian Service Times	500.00		
Christian Social Relations Fund	182.33		
Gift, Dr. D. L. Dykes	50.00		
Leadership Chairman, School of Christian Mission	63.85		
Percentage, Literature Sold Guild Weekend	42.91		
Guild Weekend	21.16		
Guild Annual Meeting	5.20	1,374.80	
Dividend, First Federal Savings & Loan Assn.		73.93	
Old Check #351 Not Paid By Bank		4.56	198,629.73
Total to be Accounted For			211,932.86
Disbursements:			
Woman's Division W.S.C.S.			
Pledge	98,798.76		
Memberships	10,984.16		
In Remembrance Gifts	1,840.45		
My World Bank	3,480.45		
Special Offerings	159.50		
In Honor Gifts	108.95		
Result of Study	304.75		
Honoring District Retiring Officers	119.35		
Honoring Conference Retiring Officers	1,626.10	117,422.78	
Conference:			
Offering School of Christian Mission	197.30		
In Remembrance Gifts	20.00		
Offering Annual Meeting	402.00		
Honorary Membership (Mr. J. Louis Ford)	100.00		
Cultivation Money Paid to Woman's Division Added to Pledge	65.05	784.35	
		118,207.13	
Wesleyan Service Guild:			
Pledge	16,522.98		
Memberships	2,243.60		
In Remembrance Gifts	855.38		
My World Bank	735.35		
Special Offerings	177.56		
In Honor Gifts	17.00		
Result of Study	181.50		
Honoring Retiring Officers	452.73	21,196.10	

Brought Forward			$139,403.23
Conference:			
Offering Guild Weekend	159.04		
Corsage for Missions	114.50		
Offering Annual Meeting	156.00		
In Remembrance Gift	5.00		
Membership (Sent Direct to New York)	100.00		
Cultivation Money Paid to Woman's Division Added to Pledge	8.98	543.52	
		139,946.75	
Permanent Interest (Perpetual Membership Haynesville Methodist Church)		4.50	
Total Paid on Pledge to Missions		139,951.25	
Other:			
Supply Work			
W.S.C.S.	25,088.61		
Guild	3,327.77	28,416.38	
Call to Prayer			
W.S.C.S.	7,388.40		
Guild	1,719.04	9,107.44	
Supplementary			
Crusade Scholarship W.S.C.S.		10.00	
Magazine and Picture Fund		177.50	
MacDonell Methodist Center Bldg. Fund			
W.S.C.S.	3,602.19		
Guild	602,45	4,204.64	
Total Paid to Woman's Division		181,867.21	
Louisiana Moral & Civic Foundation	1,744.95		
Transient Fund	293.31	2,038.26	183,905.47
			28,027.39

Conference Cultivation Fund

	Budgeted	Disbursed
Office Expense	1,300.00	1,074.51
Annual Meeting	1,600.00	1,384.33
Annual Report	1,500.00	1,626.39
Mid-Year Executive Meeting	250.00	168.03
Jurisdiction Annual Meeting	750.00	901.09
Regional School of Christian Mission	900.00	592.52
Jurisdiction Cultivation	825.00	650.45
Conference School of Christian Mission	1,400.00	1,346.10
Area Council	600.00	600.00
Christian Service Time	630.00	894.85
Christian Social Relations	300.00	300.00
Christian Vocations	200.00	
Cooperative Meetings	250.00	443.78
Miscellaneous	400.00	126.65
Tour	300.00	300.00

Woman's Division				
Cultivation	75.00			
Wesleyan Service Guild	2,180.00	2,075.54		
Total	13,460.00		12,484.24	
Other:				
District Officer Training		411,57		
Jurisdiction Council		90.50		
Tour as per Recommendation		400.00		
Annual Conference		16.00		
General Conference		184.74		
Jurisdictional Conference		54.60		
Directory of Workers for Conference		27.65		
Committee Meetings		77.18		
Christian Service Times		500.00		
Membership Packets		39.32		
School of Christian Mission 1968		205.55		
South Central Missionary Conference		44.41		
Simplified Reports		107.54		
Consultation on Church and Community Life		130.76		
Board Meetings of Projects		32.50	2,322.32	14,806.56
Balance in Checking Account and Savings Account				13,220.83
Distributed as Follows:				
First Federal Savings and Loan Assn. Alexandria, La. Special Account			1,612.40	
Rapides Building and Loan Assn. Alexandria, La.			3,000.00	
Whitney National Bank, New Orleans, La. Checking Account			8,608.43	
Total			13,220.83	

ACCOUNTANT'S OPINION

I have examined the Statement of Cash and Fund Balances and the Summary of Cash Receipts and Disbursements of the Louisiana Conference of the Woman's Society of Christian Service for the period from May 20, 1967 through May 20, 1968. My examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

In my opinion, the aforementioned financial statements present fairly the cash and fund balances as of May 20, 1968 and the cash receipts and disbursements for the year then ended.

My examination also comprehended the supplemental schedules of Receipts from Districts, Conference Cultivation Fund, and payments on Pledge to Woman's Division of Christian Service for the same period, and, in my opinion, such supplemental schedules, when considered in relation to the basic financial statements, present fairly in all material respects the information shown therein.

New Orleans, Louisiana
May 30, 1968

Louis Ford
CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT

REPORTS OF CONFERENCE SECRETARIES

CAMPUS MINISTRY

Mrs. Robert Bingham

The Commission on Education shall provide locally for the promotion and support of the interest of higher education and campus ministry. It shall plan for the ministry of students related to the local church and shall observe Methodist Student Day and receive an offering for the support of National Methodist Scholarships and for the Student Loan Fund for United Methodist Students.

The Women's Society will no longer have administrative responsibility nor official relationships in the area of campus ministry and higher education. We know that women, as members of the church, because of their active interest in and concern for the student world of today, will use their influence in efforts to increase understanding and support of a more effective ministry in the college and university world by The United Methodist Church at every level.

CHRISTIAN SOCIAL RELATIONS

Mrs. Wiley B. Gardner

A final report of any office, I am sure, is difficult. However, when an office covers as many areas of interest as the office of Conference Secretary of Christian Social Relations, it is more difficult.

The 10-day Seminar in Kansas City, Missouri, on HUMAN RIGHTS was filled with information from qualified speakers, panelists, and writers. The district secretary of Christian Social Relations in your district received a packet of materials from this meeting which contained everything that I was privileged to receive.

The meeting of Jurisdiction and Conference Secretaries of Christian Social Relations in New York, N.Y. last December was of great importance. Our Louisiana Conference was well represented by the four people eligible to attend. Human Rights, Election Issues — 1968, New Structure of the New United Methodist Church were among the issues discussed.

It was my privilege to attend the meeting on Chruch Consultation in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. The Conference President and I represented you in this meeting and we hope to share the benefits of this meeting with you in the future.

The World Understanding Workshops have been well promoted and conducted and, for those attending, most informative.

May I urge you to become involved in your Community and, as a Christian, help it become a better place to live because of your witness. This is CHRISTIAN SOCIAL RELATIONS.

You have had a part in making these past four years, years of growth in love and understanding for me. I am grateful to you for allowing me the pleasure and privilege of serving you as your Conferenc Secretary of Christian Social Relations. Thank you.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT CHRISTIAN SOCIAL RELATIONS

RECEIPTS:

Reserve from Seminar	$102.20	
Conference Treasurer	$300.00	
TOTAL		$402.20

Receipts Brought Forward			$402.20
DISBURSEMENTS:			
Organizations			
Public Affairs Research Council dues	$ 10.00		
Louisiana Organization for State Legislation (Luncheons)	6.00		
		$ 16.00	
MEETINGS:			
Seminar-Kansas City, Mo.	$ 72.40		
Human Rights, New York, N.Y.	$ 56.45		
		$128.85	
Mailings into local societies 2-mailings		$ 66.24	
Materials:			
Workbook on Africa	$ 2.25		
Board of Christian Social Concern	1.50		
P A R Materials	1.53		
Materials for new Conference Secretary	3.50		
		$ 8.78	
TOTAL			$219.87
Balance			$182.33
Check to Conference Treasurer, May 15, 1968			$182.33

MEMBERSHIP CULTIVATION
Mrs. Max Clayton

Despite the apparent loss of membership, we feel that more women of the church are actually involved in the mission of Christianity. Many women who are not on the rolls of the Woman's Society and Guild are serving in projects sponsored by these groups. After having emphasis placed on membership for four years, we realize that the responsibility for getting and keeping members rests directly on the local women. Therefore, there will be no secretaries of membership cultivation on any level and a committee in the local church will handle this phase of work. This should challenge the local woman and make her deepen her own loyalty to the Women's Society and Guild as well as seek to involve other women.

STATISTICS FOR LOUISIANA CONFERENCE

District	Number Societies	Membership	Number Guilds	Membership	Total Membership
Alexandria	37	966	12	204	1,170
Baton Rouge	57	2,127	13	237	2,364
Lafayette	30	1,070	8	150	1,220
Lake Charles	30	1,432	12	228	1,660
Monroe	46	1,560	16	271	1,831
New Orleans	38	1,814	12	211	2,025
Ruston	33	1,348	11	233	1,581
Shreveport	42	2,524	16	250	2,774
TOTALS	313	12,841	100	1,784	14,625

MISSIONARY EDUCATION AND SERVICE

Mrs. Garland Dean

Jointly planned Fall Mission Study Conferences were held in all districts. Joint training has resulted in an increased interest in cooperatively planned Church-Wide studies.

We are appreciative of the gracious cooperation of the Conference Missionary Secretary, The Rev. Glen Rorie; especially in the itineration of a speaker, Dr. Francis Brockman, to the District Annual Meetings, and in the preparation of a brochure which will largely consist of pictures and brief biographical sketches of the missionaries assigned to our conference.

Three of the 29 new US-2's have been assigned to Louisiana to work at Sager-Brown School: Miss Delma Dorien Harris of Camden, Illinois; Miss Sue K. Hicks of Roanoke, Virginia; and Miss Sandra Sue Schaefer of Menomonee Falls, Wisconsin.

Miss Ora Hooper, a deaconess from Louisiana who served on the faculty at Vashti School in Thomasville, Georgia, has retired. On June 28, 1967 we lost by death, her sister, Miss Ella K. Hooper, a retired deaconess who devoted her life to mission work in the area around Houma, Louisiana.

The concluding lines "Miss Ella" wrote in an autobiography for a Conference Scrapbook point us to the One who can guide and bless our efforts in the mission of the Church:

> "The gift was small
> God's hand upon the gift was all."

MISSIONARY PERSONNEL

Mrs. John R. Oldham

The 1967 Mission Tour! Very vivid are the memories of experiences that were pleasant, those that were unpleasant, those that were "mountain-top": Like that night during our devotional, one of our girls suddenly realized she did not like what she saw in her mirror because she said she discovered who she really was. Like another girl who publicly announced to a Society meeting and to our tour members at Trinity Methodist Church in St. Augustine, Florida, that now she knows what her future work will be — Missionary Work. Like when the pastor of that Church stated that this Tour Group from Louisiana was the greatest public relations group he had ever seen, and wrote this to our Bishop Walton, who published it in the Louisiana Methodist. I hope that every adult in this Conference will read that article. We saw great things being done in Mississippi, Tennessee, North Carolina, South Carolina, Alabama, Georgia and Florida. Indeed — we also saw many necessary things that should be done. We discovered that it was hard to detect needs among the lovely places. It was the unlovely places that pulled and tugged at our "heart-strings." I had the privelege of traveling with thirty-six of the finest young people in the conference coming from thirty-six churches and from different environments, but they soon realized that they had all come together for one purpose, and that was to "be the Church" in search of knowledge of the needs of people.

Plans are well under way for the 1968 Tour and we are looking forward to the date, which is July 21 — August 3. We will be covering much of the same territory as we did last year, but the experiences are never the same. It is always new and exciting. We will travel through Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia, North Carolina and Tennessee. We have just finished the heartbreaking task of selecting thirty-six young people, and again there were more requests to be a member of the tour than could be granted. I will say as I have said many times in the past: "Selecting the Tour Members is the hardest task in planning a mission tour. If all the churches would comply with my request and definitely state the name of first preference, it would be less disappointing to all who are concerned." This statement, written to me by a concerned parent, describes the Tour beautifully: "The words, Mission Tour, have come to mean spiritual growth." Thank God for concerned parents.

PROGRAM MATERIALS

Mrs. R.S. Reich (deceased)

(This report was made to the conference executive committee on October 11, 1967)

Sales at School of Christian Mission amounted to $1,033.80. In addition, materials from Cokesbury, Wright Studio, etc. were sold, and free literature distributed. The Membership Packets have been widely used throughout the Conference, and another 1000 were printed and assembled. About one-third of this number has been sold. Secretaries of Program Materials joined the vice presidents in Officer Responsibility Groups at School of Christian Mission for part of the session and presented materials for use with the new program book. This poster booklet has since been circulated for use in workshops for District and Local Societies and Guilds.

SPIRITUAL LIFE CULTIVATION

Mrs. John L. Howe

Emphasis this year has been placed on personal spiritual growth and on the responsibility of each district and local secretary of spiritual life cultivation to undergird the particular executive committee with which they are associated and the members of their society with prayer, and with a number of aids to spirtitual growth. Secretaries have been encouraged to form a prayer and a reading circle within the executive committee. The self-study program has been held in the districts and is now moving into the local societies.

Secretories of spiritual life cultivation look forward to the challenge inherent in their new name . . . a call to spiritual growth.

SUPPLY WORK

Mrs. L.C. Aycock

The office of Secretary of Supply Work has been absorbed into the total financial structure. No Secretary of Supply Work on any level will be elected. This is the last year records will be kept on giving through Supply Work. We were challenged last spring with the goal to double our Askings to Supply Work to help meet the unmet needs in both the National and World Missions.

Women have responded well in the past years to the personalized giving to Supply Work. The new concept charges those officers working in the area of finance to better educate the members of the work of the total mission dollar.

In 1968-69 the channels of Supply Work will be absorbed into the pledge. Societies and Guilds will be asked to add the amount given for Supply Work in 1967-68 to the amount they pledge for 1968-69 and send it through one channel as pledged for.

All Woman's Societies and Guilds did not reach this goal of doubling their Supply Work Askings. Some worked hard and did send in on increase. These members are to be commended.

SUPPLY WORK ASKINGS 1967-1968

WORLD DIVISION

Woman's Society	Wesleyan Service Guild
Askings $6,125.00 — Paid $8,779.14	Askings $512.00 — Paid $796.93

NATIONAL DIVISION

Askings $11,285.70 — Paid $16,309.47	Askings $1200.00 — Paid $2530.00

The Woman's Society of Christian Service and Wesleyan Service Guild

Total Askings — $19,423.70 Total Giving $28,416.38

DISTRICT STATISTICAL REPORT

District	Alexandria	Baton Rouge	Lafayette	Lake Charles	Monroe	New Orleans	Ruston	Shreveport	Conference Totals
No. Societies	37	57	30	30	46	38	33	42	313
Membership	966	2,127	1,070	1,432	1,560	1,814	1,348	2,524	12,841
No. Guild Units	12	13	8	12	16	11	11	15	98
Membership	204	244	150	228	271	201	233	254	1,785
Total Adult Membership	1,170	2,371	1,220	1,660	1,831	2,015	1,581	2,778	14,626
Number of Societies represented at –									
Conference Annual Meeting	14	19	7	12	12	16	16	31	127
School of Christian Mission	12	13	9	8	10	14	7	23	96
District Annual Meeting	26	33	22	26	23	30	27	32	219
District Conference on Mission Study	16	29	26	23	27	20	30	29	200
Number of District officers attending –									
District Officer Training	11	10	7	10	7	13	12	7	77
Number of Youth –									
On Mission Tour	2	11	5	7	1		0		26
Missionary Conference, Mt. Sequoyah	0	1	1	1	0		0	1	4
Districts who –									
Had a Self Study	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	8
Met Pledge	no	yes	yes	no	no		yes	no	3

Conference Totals for years	1966-67	1967-68	Net Gain
Number of Societies	322	313	- 9
Total Society Membership	13,068	12,811	- 257
Number of Guild Units	100	98	- 2
Total Guild Membership	1,796	1,785	- 11

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1968 SCHOOL OF CHRISTIAN MISSION

Mrs. Max L. Clayton, Dean

The School was held at Centenary College, Shreveport, Louisiana, July 17-21, 1967, following the theme: "One Common Faith." Attendance records revealed there were 234 participants, 8 leaders and a number of visitors. It was difficult to accurately say how many officers sat in the various classes, because many women hold more than one office, and many local women visited. The classes of the president, vice president, and missionary education and service were the ones with sizeable numbers. It was apparent the teachers had made thorough preparation and there was enthusiastic response with group participation.

Expense of the school was as follows:	Conference Officers and staff	$1265.79
	District Officers	571.25
	Centenary College	2257.00
	Mutual Insurance Co.	101.10
	Hile Secretariol Service	3.00
	Checks and Banking Service	5.79
	Total Expense	$4203.93

1968 SCHOOL OF CHRISTIAN MISSION

Centenary College, Shreveport, Louisiana

July 15-19, 1967

Themes: "New Forms of Mission" and "Southeast Asia"

Dean: Mrs. Wiley B. Gardner
Asst. Dean: Mrs. L.C. Aycock

Ch. of Arrangements: Mrs. T.E. Kirkpatrick
Ch. of Housing: Mrs. J.T. Eubank
Treasurer: Mrs. Wiley B. Gardner
Registrar: Mrs. W.D. Snelling
Secretary: Mrs. T.E. Kirkpatrick

Librarian: Mrs. John G. Cooke. Jr.
Chairman of Audio-Visuals: Mrs. Garland Dean
Program Materials: Mrs. Robert Compton and Mrs. Worren Orr
Hostess Society: North Highlond
Interest Centers: Mrs. Joe Bond and Mrs. Thomos Pitt

NEW FORMS OF MISSION deals with the ecumenical nature of missions.

INSTRUCTORS: Mrs. H.L. George, Dr. J.B. Holt, Dr. J. Woodrow Heorn

TEXTS: "Mandote for Mission" by Eugene L. Smith
"Study Action Manual" by Claire Rondall
"Ventures in Mission" by Poul Modsen

SOUTHEAST ASIA deals with the church in mission ond the new forms of mission which ore emerging there, including Laos, Cambodio, North, ond South Vietnam.

INSTRUCTORS: Mrs. Hazel Dobney, Mrs. John Freemon

TEXTS: "Christ ond Crisis in Southeast Asis" by Gerold H. Anderson
"Adult Guide on Southeast Asia" by Ernest Fogg
"This is Southeast Asia Today" by Addison Eostmon

BIBLE STUDY for everyone enrolled in the School.

INSTRUCTOR: Miss Ethelene Sampley

BIBLE DIALOGUE CHAIRMAN: Mrs. George W. Domeron

TEXT: Your BIBLE (Book of John)

TEAM COORDINATOR: Reverend George Peorce, Jr.

1968 YOUTH MISSION TOUR

Mrs. John R. Oldham, Chairman

The seventh annual Mission Tour sponsored by the Louisiana Conference Woman's Society of Christion Service will be held July 21-August 3. This tour is for high school juniors and seniors who will pass to the 11th and 12th grades this May and those who will be college freshmen in September. Selection of Tour Members will be made by the Conference Tour Committee, but it would help if a church sending more than one application would list the names in order of preference, which should be based on who would benefit most from such an experience.

The Tour Directors will be Mr. and Mrs. John Oldham, who have been tour directors for the past five yeors; ond the Rev. and Mrs. Harold Price. The Rev. Mr. Price is pastor of St. John Methodist Church in Baton Rouge.

The purpose of the tour is to afford youth the chance to see, first-hand, the outreach of the Church in various vocational possibilities in home missions. The cost of the trip, including transportation, insurance, meals, and overnight lodging, will be $90.00 per person. It is hoped Church groups might share in this expense. This will be o long and strenous journey and PHYSICAL FITNESS is very important.

Tour members will orrive at Istrouma Methodist Camp July 21, and will return to Broadmoor Methodist Church, Baton Rouge, La., August 3, traveling by chartered bus through ports of Louisiana, Alabama, Georgia, North Carolina, Tennessee, and Mississippi.

It will be a blessing to the young people who participate in this tour, and to their church as well. Moy God continue to bless you in your work.

REPORT OF PROJECTS IN LOUISIANA RELATED TO THE BOARD OF MISSIONS OF THE METHODIST CHURCH

COMMUNITY CENTERS

DULAC COMMUNITY CENTER

Dulac, Louisiana

Rev. Jerry Moon, Executive Director

There hove been mony changes in our work at Duloc since 1932 when the Dulac Indian Mission wos formed. When the Indian Mission School was replaced by a public school in 1952, the missiion took on new dimensions in social welfore. A Kindergorten remained to prepore children for public school, and new progromming emerged.

The word "mission" was reploced by the word "center" which meons the bringing together of all oreas of life. Thus it was that the Center became not just a preschool, but o hub of sociol activity os well. Next the word "Indian" had to go, becouse we are servicing oll races of people who live in the boyou country, with the Board of Directors, staff, ond programs fully integrated with Indions, whites, and Negroes.

Christion principles are taught throughout the total progrom of the center by "precept ond exomple" but Church doctrine is only taught in religious education courses clearly designated as such. Church Social and M.Y.F. are strong parts of our program. We draw our staff from many walks of life. Some are native of the Boyou, some are from other ports of the United States, and some volunteers from Houmo.

The mojor part of our progrom is with the pre-school child in a five day a week Kindergorten program. Not only is the child guided in sociul and educational growth at the center, but each home is visited by a teacher at leost monthly in order to help eoch fomily understand their child's growth and adjustment.

Our medical aide program has grown tremendously since the construction of the new buildings, staffed with a pediatrician, four nurses, a social worker, and a nutritionist serving as many as 72 children at one clinic, which is held monthly. The doctor, social worker, and nutritionist are furnished by the State Board of Health and two nurses by the Parish Health Unit. The other two nurses, who live and work on the bayou, do follow-up for the doctor; one is a Catholic nun and the other is the wife of a Baptist minister. There are also three clerical volunteers in this program.

The center sponsors a Girl Scout and a Boy Scout troop. Both are excelling in their achievements.

The two new buildings recently built by the Woman's Division of the Board of Missions of the Methodist Church for $100,000 is evidence of your concern and continuing support. Let us remember that buildings alone do not set the pace for social and moral up-grading, but it takes a staff of consecrated persons endeavoring together to bring about this change that the glory of God may be manifest by our hands.

ST. MARK'S COMMUNITY CENTER
1130 North Rampart St., New Orleans, La. 70116
Miss Louise Sharp, Executive Director

St. Mark's Community Center has offered a program of group work and informal education since 1908. The community center or settlement house has been called the general practitioner in the highly specialized field of social work. It is a "generalist" in its concern for the person as a whole, and in understanding him as part of his social setting. It serves on a non-sectarian basis the people of any racial, cultural, or ethnic group. Its primary goal is to serve the neighborhood, though its membership is not limited to the neighborhood.

The neighborhood continues to change very rapidly and is becoming more difficult to serve. There is great mobility of people, interstate highway is being completed just five blocks from us, some of the area is being upgraded in housing while other areas are becoming more and more slum. The need for services continues to increase. The membership was 669 at the close of the year in August 1967. About 94% of the membership was elementary and teen-agers.

PROGRAMS AND SERVICES include: 1) **CLUBS FOR BOYS AND GIRLS** which help the individual to make decisions, participate in planning, develop leadership, assume responsibility, and evaluate the results. 2) **SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS** both short and long terms, such as: cooking classes, sewing classes, ceramics, and woodworking. 3) **SWIMMING PROGRAM** is offered the year round and involves swim instruction, life saving classes, and swimming just for fun. 4) **ATHLETICS** is a must for most of the boys and many of the girls. These include basketball, softball, volleyball and others. The teams play intra-mural and also participate in tournaments in the city. 5) **INFORMAL EDUCATION** such as cooperation with Operation Upgrade in the literacy program for adults, English as a second language, developing new skills, and vocational training through cooperation with the Neighborhood Youth Corp of the Total Community Action. 6) **COMMUNITY MEETING PLACE** for such activities as: Men ondWomen's Wardrobe local of the city auditorium, Vieux Carre' Alcoholic's Anonymous, a voting precinct for this area, Girl Scout leaders training meetings, New Orleans Junior Criminal Deputy Sheriff training, St. Aloysius and St. Augustine High School training of swim teams, Red Cross swim instruction and life saving classes, and Hotel, Motel, and Restaurant Employee's Local No. 166. 7) **SUMMER PROGRAM** offers many opportunities, including resident camping.

NEW VENTURES to meet changing needs: 1) A youth council has been organized for the teens. 2) Exploration of other short term interest groups with volunteers as leaders, such as: legal advice, good health habits, good grooming, physical fitness, good housekeeping for inexperienced housekeepers. 3) Senior Citizens Day.

Some programs and services have been dropped because of lack of funds and staff. Also there are many more services and programs needed which we hope can be offered as more staff is made available.

The concern of the men and women of the Board of Directors has challenged them to constantly search for new avenues of service to meet the needs of the neighborhood and to find ways to finance these 'unmet needs.' We covet your continued prayers that all of us may be sensitive to the guiding af the Spirit of the Living Lord.

PEOPLES METHODIST COMMUNITY CENTER

2019 SIMON BOLIVAR AVENUE, NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA 70113

Mrs. Pearl Turnbull — Nursery Teacher

"Train up a child in the way he should go and when he is old he will not depart from it." "As the twig is bent so grows the tree." These and similar quotations focus attention on the importance of giving a child the right start in life, and the urgent necessity of cultivating and developing the right attitudes and interests of children during the formative years. Surely, those must have been the thoughts uppermost in the minds of the people responsible for the founding of Peoples Methodist Community Center. Throughout the forty-six years of its existence the main emphasis has been on the care and training of young children. During this time other services and programs of interest were added to serve other age groups, but the day care service far children of working mathers has continued to hold the spotlight.

Not only does Peoples provide for the physical needs of the child, such as rest, meals, supervised recreation, etc., but a concerted effort is made to expose the child ta educational activities and training designed to prepare him for the more technical processes of formal classroom learning. A short period of daily devotions (hymns, prayers, bible stories) provide for some basic religious training which is essential to a well adjusted personality.

Since platooned classes in the public schaols are no longer necessary in the lower primary grades, as was the case in former years, it was decided to dis-continue the primary grades here at Peoples. This department has been operated to accomodate working mothers who want their children to have a full school day. This made it possible to give more adequate service to pre-schoolers ranging in ages from two to six years. With two Nursery groups and three Kindergarten classes, our enrollment now stands at 111 children.

In cooperation with "Total Community Action" Peoples now sponsors three federally supported Child Care Centers in this area, and provides emplayment for NYC-Workers also a federal supported program for school dropouts. Through this program employment has been made available to many young people. In the performance of their duties as teachers aides and general helpers they gain valuable experiences and develop new interests which, it is hoped, will inspire them to seek a better way of life through further education and vocational training.

During the summer months special programs of interest for older children are offered. These include an extended vacation church school (five weeks) and six weeks of Day Camp activities, artistic dancing, music, drama, arts and crafts, outings to places of interest, etc.

A year round afternoon program for teenage boys and girls include Girl Scauts —basektball teams, Boys club and various recreational activities. The Superintendent and staff are dedicated to achieving the purpose far which Peoples was founded.

As we contemplate the benefits and blessings which have been affarded this community thraugh the facilities and services of this institution, we are reminded that it was all made possible by the contributians af interested christian friends. To the Woman's Saciety of Christian Service, Louisiana Conference we say "Thank you" for the part that you have had in helping to make this work possible.

EDUCATIONAL

SAGER BROWN SCHOOL, P.O. Box Q, Baldwin, Louisiana
Rosie Ann Cobb, Superintendent

The fiscal year and school term colased at Sager Brown School May 31, 1967, with an enrallment of 57 children living in the darmitaries and 108 day students — a total enrollment of 165, and a staff af 20. This number included 4 deacanesses and 2 US-2's.

June 1 activities far the summer were started with approximately 30 children wha remained in the darmitaries along with thase wha came fram the cammunity for the activities. The summer pragram included tutaring, library activities, swimming and out-daor sports, crafts, sewing, and other types af needle wark. The program was planned so that 2 weeks were given for the children ta attend Vacatian Church Schaal. Various churches and friends made it possible for the children to attend a ball game at the Houston Astradome. Same of aur children attended the Lauisiana Canference MYF Institute held at Gulfside Assaciatian, Waveland, Mississippi. Several church groups and the welfare department of the area used the library and gym far meetings. The visits of these groups and ten ar more groups of Waman's Sacieties af Christian Service, Wesleyan Service Guilds, MYF'ers and ather friends wha taured the school were inspirotionol. Staff members attended summer schaal, served here an campus for the summer program and attended the warkshap which Dr. Berry held in Laredo, Texas, far workers in the schaals af the Educational Wark of the Natianal Divisian of the Board of Missions.

The 1967-68 term opened in September with a darmitary enrallment of 49 and a total enrollment of 151. (At the time af this writing, there is an increase in the enrollment.) A staff af 23 persons is emplayed ta work with these bays ond girls. There are four deacanesses and four US-2's included an the staff. The term began with a period of orientatian acquainting new workers with the pragram af the school and giving the opportunity for all staff to outline plans of work far the year. Varias committees were set up and plans for the functioning of the wark of the schaal and home were well organized.

The P.T.A., Boy Scouts, Saturday Activity Clubs, dormitary and cafeteria activities are organzied sa as ta have little ar no friction with the pragram af each. The lacal church af the campus still affers opportunity far the boys and girls ta participate in the church schaal and MYF. The darmitaries offer apportunity for worship and social life.

Programs af interest this school term have been the annual Christmas program and other Christmas activities. The New Iberia sub district MYF held its Christmas meeting and party an the campus. Several nearby churches, and churches and friends out of state remembered aur children at Christmas with parties and gifts. The annual Christmas staff dinner and warship service was enjayed by all. The latest organization an the campus is that af a student council. They planted a tree an the campus for Arbor Day and are making plans far many ather helpful activities an campus. We take this apportunity to say "Thank You" to aur friends far their interest, through their prayers, service and gifts.

METHODIST STUDENT CENTERS

Louisiana Polytechnic Institute, Bax 905, Tech Statian, Rustan, La.
Rev. William M. Stakes, Jr., Campus Minister

Northwestern State College af Lauisiana, Bax 1285, College Statian, Natchitaches
Rev. Rabert L. Tatum, Chaplain

University of Sauthwestern Louisiana, Bax 220, U.S.L. Statian, Lafayette
Rev. Wayne R. Smith, Campus Minister

For several years the Wesley Faundatians listed abave have been prajects assigned to the Louisiana Canference Waman's Sacieties af Christian Service. Under

the new structure of The United Methodist Church, this project will be under another agency of the church and we will cooperate with them in carrying out the student program. The following is a composite of reports received from these student centers:

WHAT IS WESLEY FOUNDATION? When this program started many years ago, it was described as "A home away from home." Recently a student answered "I found Christ at Wesley Foundation. When a student comes to college he is on his own and he has to decide whether Christ is for children and old ladies, or for every man and woman who will accept him and follow him." Generally, the center ministers to the needs of the campus community, with the main emphasis on **Worship**, **Fellowship**, **Study**, and **Christian Service**.

WORSHIP will vary, as with churches. Some of the centers have a snack breakfast and worship at the center, with the campus minister rotating with the local ministers. In some, they will have a class discussion group early enough to attend services in the local church of the individual choice. Most of them have Sunday Vespers and many have another during the week. All have special Lenten services and many have retreats during the year.

FELLOWSHIP is "dropping in," a good T.V. program, a song fest, getting out a newspaper, listening, talking, and Sunday suppers and cookies during the week made by the Woman's Societies in the particular area. Fellowship is group participation in Campus projects and activities.

STUDY varies and covers many topics. A few are: The new adult curriculum "Man's Search for a Meaningful Faith;" and "The Role of Women in the 20th Century Society;" films such as "David and Lisa" — with a talk-back; and bible study such as "God With Us;" reviews and discussion of books such as "A Taste of New Wine;" discussion about religion, pop music, modern art, and Viet Nam.

CHRISTIAN SERVICE is parties at orphanages, worship and singing in nursing homes, baskets at Christmas, tutoring service for potential high school drop-outs, and the Deputation Teams.

Wesley is students witnessing for Christ on the Campus.

SOCIAL WELFARE

MacDONELL METHODIST CENTER
John L. Howe, Director

MacDonell Methodist Center has been in the news this past year. Excellent articles in the October issues of METHODIST WOMAN and WORLD OUTLOOK told of the program and purpose of this home for children which was one of the recipients of Call to Prayer and Self Denial funds for 1967. Every Woman's Society and Guild in Louisiana Conference received brochures about MacDonell and the Home's slides were brought up to date and sent out over state and nation.

Funds received from the Call to Prayer are being used for a new cottage for teen-age boys. The building will be ready for use by early summer and will bring MacDonell's licensed capacity to forty — 20 girls and 20 boys.

Members of several Woman's Societies have carried on special service projects on campus this year. They have given a number of volunteer services as well as making drapes for Hooper Cottage.

Funds continue to be received toward the $10,000 supplementary gift to MacDonell voted by the Louisiana Conference Woman's Society and Guild three years ago. This gift, to be given over a period not to exceed seven years, is being used for furnishing the new cottages.

Mr. Howe attended a seminar at United Nations and Washington D.C. this past June as well as taking a course in administration during the summer session at Scarritt College in Nashville, Tennessee.

School has been easier and a lot more fun for a number of MacDonell's children this fall due to six weeks intensified work in remedial reading this past summer. Twenty-five children were enrolled in a special class held here on campus. Conducted by the Terrebonne Parish School Board and funded by the State Board of Education using Federal funds, the class made use of the latest audio-visual methods of teaching and a system of each child competing against his own score. It is planned now to continue this course as a regular part of the summer program of MacDonell Methodist Center.

THE BUSINESS GIRLS' INN, INC.

814 Cotton Street, Shreveport, Louisiana 71101
Mrs. Maxine F. Watkins, Director

Major steps taken this fiscal year include the restructuring of the administrative body of The Inn and the developing of the program and services.

With the help of a legal advisor, a study of the legal status of The Inn and a revision of its by-laws were made. The Membership, formerly the Board of Directors, was expanded to include members-at-large as well as representatives of the Woman's Society of Christian Service and Wesleyan Service Guild.

New, strong committees of the Membership have made long-range plans for the upkeep of the building and furnishings, as well as meeting immediate needs (Building and Grounds), have established sound personnel practices designed to attract and to support adequate staff (Personnel); have updated services to reach girls who can most profit by residency (Agency Policy); have targeted program to enrich and develop individuals (Program and Services); have sought ways and means of making needs known (Special Gifts); have planned for meeting the budget in this day of spiraling costs (Finance); have publicized the presence and purpose of The Inn (Public Relations); and have worked to enlist enthusiastic, capable persons to serve in the Membership (Nominating).

Program and services for the residents have received new impetus, not only from the staff but from an elected representative group of residents who have assumed responsibility and have taken initiative for developing it. A converted storage room is making possible the pursuit of many kinds of handicraft. Resource leaders from the community's talented are giving of their skills in many areas: flower making and flower arranging, creative stitchery and other embroidery, sewing, painting, cooking, gift making, study and conversation groups. Attention is given to current issues, too: the war, narcotics, fire prevention, safety, finding a church home away from home, serving in the community, suitable employment, continuing education. In all matters, effort is made to lift "everyday living" into the realm of "living every day" to the glory of God.

An Administrative Dietician has been retained to make a study of food services.

A new book on Standards and Goals, HANDBOOK FOR RESIDENCES, published by National Division is providing valuable guide line.

The report has no end. Basic needs of young women are ever the same. Special needs are innumerable and personal. The Inn seeks not only to meet the challenge but to pioneer in services to the young single women employed, or training for employment, in Shreveport.

CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS

The constitution and bylaws of the Women's Society of Christian Service of The United Methodist Church have not yet been released. It is therefore recommended that you follow the bylaws printed in the Twenty-Seventh Annual Report, incorporating the following amendments (with editorial changes added later. See Standing Rule 26, Twenty-Seventh Annual Report) which were adopted at the Annual Meeting on March 14, 1968.

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED AT ANNUAL MEETING, March 14, 1968

Page 85 — Twenty-Seventh Annual Report:
Amend Article 11, Section 1, to read:
There shall be an Executive Committee of the conference society composed of the officers; all members of the Division and officers of the jurisdiction society/guild residing within the conference; chairmen of committees; the conference historian; the president of each district society — (The remainder of the paragraph is unchanged) (Amended, March 1968)

Page 87 — Twenty-Seventh Annual Report:
Amend Article III, Section 9, (a) and (b), by deletion (Amended, March 1968)

Page 88 — Twenty-Seventh Annual Report:
Amend Section 10 by renumbering to Section 9 (Amended, March 1968)
Amend Section 11 by renumbering to Section 10 (Amended, March 1968)

Standing Rules of the Conference Society

Page 91 — Twenty-Seventh Annual Report:
Amend Standing Rule No. 5, to read:

a. The conference society shall pay the expense of the conference president, the secretary, the treasurer, and the chairman of the Committee on program at a hotel or motel during the Annual Meeting.

b. During the mid-year meeting of the Executive Committee, the conference president and secretary may stay at a hotel or motel at conference expense. (Amended, March 1968)

Amend Standing Rule No. 7, to read:
A typist shall be available at the Annual Meeting for such typing service as may be needed. Expenses shall be paid by the conference society. (Amended, March 1968)

Amend Standing Rule No. 8, by substituting a new Standing Rule No. 8, to read:
The Committees on Program and School of Christian Mission shall meet for organization and planning before leaving the seat of the Annual Meeting. All other Standing Committees shall have this same privilege, and each shall be allowed expenses for one other meeting during the conference year. Each standing committee shall establish its own quorum. (Amended, March 1968)

Amend Standing Rule No. 11, to read:
Officers shall provide mailing costs for all communications such as circulars, letters, literature, etc., that are sent to corresponding district officers for mailing to local societies. (Amended, March 1968)

Amend Standing Rule No. 14, to read:
Expenses for transportation by car for conference officers on official business shall be at the rate of seven cents per mile. (The remainder of Standing Rule 14, is unchanged) (Amended, March 1968)

Page 92 — Twenty-Seventh Annual Report:
Amend Standing Rule No. 24, by deletion (incorporated into new Standing Rule No. 8) (Amended, March 1968)

Amend Rule 25 by renumbering to Rule 24 (Amended, March 1968)

Amend Rule 26 by renumbering to Rule 25 (Amended, March 1968)

Amend Rule 27 by renumbering to Rule 26 (Amended, March 1968)

Page 93 — Twenty-Seventh Annual Report:
Amend Rule 28 by renumbering to Rule 27 (Amended, March 1968)

Amend Rule 29 by renumbering to Rule 28, (Amended, March 1968)

Page 93 — Twenty-Seventh Annual Report:
Add new Standing Rule No. 29, to read:
On nomination of the Committee on Nominations, the Executive Committee shall elect a Conference Historian, whose election shall be confirmed at the next Annual Meeting of the conference society. The Historian shall serve for four years, during which time she shall be a member of the Executive Committee.

The Historian shall keep a record of events and actions in the conference Woman's Society and Wesleyan Service Guild which may have historical significance, including published articles and pictures, programs, and other information. She shall make memoranda, as needed, to develop an orderly sequence of events, to supply correct names of persons and their relationships to the society and guild, and shall note those events or actions which mark new programs or policies. She shall be alert to events in the district and local societies and guilds which will help to interpret the life and growth of the Woman's Society and Wesleyan Service Guild in Louisiana. (Added, March 1968)

Add new Standing Rule No. 30, to read:
Twenty-five dollars (25.00) may be allowed annually for the purchase of audio-visual resources pertinent to the current studies and missionary emphases. These materials shall be selected by the conference Secretary of Missionary Education and Service in consultation with the Dean of the School of Christian Mission, and shall be purchased, if possible, in time for use in the School. They shall be placed in the Audio-Visual Library in the Area Council Office for use throughout the conference. (Added, March 1968)

Bylaws of the District Woman's Society

Page 93 — Twenty-Seventh Annual Report
Amend Article 11, Section 1, to read:
There shall be an Executive Committee of the district society composed of officers, and chairmen of committees of the district society; sub-district chairmen; members of the Women's Division and members of the executive committees of the jurisdiction and conference societies who are members of the district society; and the district superintendent. A majority shall constitute a quorum. (Amended, March 1968)

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LOUISIANA CONFERENCE WOMEN'S SOCIETY

1967-68

Division

General Secretary of Women's Division
President of the Women's Division
Women's Division Members in Louisiana
Executive Secretaries

Jurisdiction

South Central Jurisdiction president and secretary-treasurer
President and secretary of each conference in jurisdiction
Jurisdictian officers residing in Louisiana

Conference

Past presidents of Louisiana Conference
Louisiana conference officers
Chairmen of committees not otherwise included in list
Members of conference nominating committee not otherwise included in list
Guild chairmen and recording secretary
Retired conference officers and secretaries for one year

District

All district officers and sub-district chairmen
Guild chairmen and recording secretary

Local

Women's Society local presidents
Guild local presidents

Missionaries, Deaconesses, and Workers

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Missionaries from Louisiana in World Division
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WESLEYAN SERVICE GUILD

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE

THE METHODIST CHURCH

Annual Meeting Held at

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Shreveport, Louisiana

March 15-17, 1968

WESLEYAN SERVICE GUILD

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1962-1966 . . . . . Miss Arline Tyler, 702 E. Washington, Shreveport, Louisiana

Miss Sue Batton passed away at Minden, Louisiana on February 17, 1968. She was an inspiration to all who knew her and many will follow her footprints on the sands of time.

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JOURNAL OF THE
TWENTY-FIRST ANNUAL GUILD WEEKEND
July 21-23, 1967

The Twenty-first Annual Guild Weekend of the Louisiana Conference Wesleyan Service Guild began at 4:00 P.M., Friday, July 21, 1967, at Centenary College, Shreveport, with registratian in James Dormitory. Mrs. Violet Dickens of Shreveport was Chairman of Registrotion.

A supper snack was provided by Rustan District after which fellowship in the parlor of James Dormitory was enjoyed. Miss Louise Sharp, director of St. Mark's Community Center in New Orleans, gave a lecture with slides of the work at the Center.

Marning watch in the amphitheater was led by Mrs. Irene Deas, chairman of Spiritual Life Cultivation fram Ruston District. Registration resumed after breakfast and program materials were available in the dormitory under the guidance of Miss Grace Lawson.

The first General Assembly was held in the auditorium of Mickle Hall with Miss Mildred Evans, Conference Secretary of Wesleyan Service Guild, presiding. The theme hymn, "Heralds of Christ," was sung by the group. Prayer was led by Mrs. Helen Owen, Monroe district chairman of Spiritual Life Cultivation.

Miss Maree White, pragram chairman far the Guild Weekend, presented the pragram, crediting Mrs. John Platt, art teacher in the Opelousas High School, with the caver design on the program and with the worship setting which duplicated the cover design. The name of Mrs. Max Clayton, Woman's Society Conference Secretary of Membership Cultivation, was added to "Who's Who" in the program.

Miss Evans introduced Mrs. C.B. McGowan, Louisiana Canference President of Woman's Society; Mrs. Carl Gallaher, Conference Treasurer; Mrs. Clayton, Mrs. G.W. Dameron, and Mrs. C.R. McCammon, the last two being WSCS members-at-large on the Conference Guild Committee. She olso presented Mrs. Thelma Oseland, Pianist, and Mrs. W.D. Cotton, Song Leader for the Guild Weekend. Guild Canference officers presented were: Miss Maree White, Miss Elizabeth Langford, Mrs. Clayton Mainaus, Mrs. Milton Baldridge, Miss Grace Lawson, Miss Marilynn Carter; District Secretaries were Mrs. Joe Rountree, Miss Hermine Tate, Mrs. Rosa McCullough, Mrs. Austin Miller, Miss Margaret Field, Mrs. R.M. Steere, and Miss Elizabeth Lowrey.

The theme message "Lift Us to High Resolve — Through Faith — In Christ — For Service" was presented by Mrs. C.R. McCammon.

After a coffee break with refreshments furnished by Shreveport District, the Plenary session was held at 10:00 A.M. led by Mrs. Clayton Mainous, Canference Chairman of Missionary Education and Service. She presented district chairmen of her line of work: Miss Marie Pace, Alexandria; Mrs. Jack Gregory, Lake Charles; Mrs. J.B. Thompson, Monroe; Mrs. Beverly Biehler, New Orleans; Miss Sue Batton, Ruston; and Miss Mildred Kee, Shreveport.

Mrs. Mainous presented the four studies for the coming year, lifting up the main resource material to be used in eoch. A thought-pravoking playlet appropriate far the study of Japan was presented by Miss Margaret Field, Mrs. R.M. Steere, and Miss Carole Cattan.

The assembly was divided into four Application Groups, each examining one study more intensively. Leaders were: "Christ and the Faiths of Men," Mrs. Baldridge; "Ecumenicity," Miss Evans; "Japan," Mrs. Mainous; and "Man and Community," Miss Langford.

Miss Evans presided over the assembly opening the afternoon session at 1:45. After the singing of the Guild Hymn, Miss Sara Wadsworth, Baton Rouge District chairman of Spiritual Life Cultivation, led the prayer.

Miss Evans introduced the following workers wha were present: Miss Louise

Sharp; Mrs. Maxine Watkins, Director of Business Girls Inn in Shreveport; Mrs. Bessie Fairley, Methodist Children's Home in Ruston Miss Margaret Field, Deaconess and nurse at Methodist Home Hospital in New Orleans. Mrs. Watkins spake briefly about Business Girls' Inn.

The Conference Guild officers presented a Dialogue with Miss Maree White acting as moderator. Through the device of conversation, the officers presented information and directives concerning the work. Units were asked to double Cash for Supply Work, with the additonal amount being credited to Pledge giving. This request was issued because of unmet needs during the past year.

After a coffee break at which cookies were served by Baton Rouge District, a film on Vietnam was presented by Miss Langford and Mrs. McCammon. Open discussion of the film and the issues it presented followed the showing; participation in this discussion was very active.

At 7:00 Miss Evans presided over the evening session. A fellowship in song was enjoyed under the leadership of Mrs. Cotton. Members were then equally divided into eight discussion groups, and each group was assigned a question from a list in the printed program. Leaders of these groups were: Mrs. Ruby Phillips, Miss Elizabeth Lawrey, Miss Hermine Tate, Mrs. Clayton Mainous, Mrs. C.B. McGowan, Miss Arline Tyler, Miss Marie Pace, and Mrs. R.M. Steere. Each group discussed its area of concern and reported back to the assembly the heart of their findings.

Sunday, July 23, 1967

Sunday morning watch in the amphitheater was led by Miss Elsie Ellis, Shreveport District chairman of Spiritual Life Cultivation.

At 8:30 a General Assembly convened in Mickle Hall with Miss Evans presiding. After the Guild Hymn, prayer was led by Mrs. Gilbert Wade, New Orleans District chairman of Spritual Life Cultivation.

Miss Carole Cotton, a US-2 with the Board of Missions, National Division, who has served in rural work in Mississippi for the past two years, addressed the group. Her enthusiasm for the work was contagious as she explained her duties and the needs of rural America.

A brief business session was held beginning at 9:00. Miss Evans announced that the morning offering would be sent to the Woman's Division in honor of Mrs. Domeron, Mrs. McCommon, Miss Cotton, and Dr. Wilkes, speakers at this Guild Weekend.

Miss Evans presented Certificates to new units at Jonesville and at Claiborne Church in Monroe. Miss Bessie Rollo accepted for the former unit, and Mrs. Austin Miller and Mrs. Helen Owen for the Monroe Guild. Miss Elizabeth Langford then presented the "Elizabeth Langford Award" to Alexandria and Monroe District for organizing new Guild units. The award was a beautiful, appropriately-inscribed plaque, which is to be presented next year to the district organizing the greatest number of new units. Miss Langford also made a gift to Missions in honor of the two districts receiving the 1967 Award.

Mrs. Milton Baldridge announced that plans are in the making for a Conference Guild Retreat at Hot Wells, probably in January; she desired the reaction of the group to these plans. Miss Marie Pace moved that the Conference Guild accept the tentative plans for a retreat at Hot Wells, and that Mrs. Baldridge be empowered to finalize these plans. Carried.

Miss Lawson reported that literature amounting to $441.50 had been sold yesterday, about $425 being from Literature Headquarters and the rest from Wright Studios.

Miss Evans introduced Mrs. Violet Dickens, registrar for the Weekend, and Miss Elizabeth Lawrey, Shreveport District Secretary; Miss Evans expressed the appreciation of the members in attendance for the planning, the committee work, and the hospitality shown by Shreveport Guilds. Mrs. Dickens thanked the registration committee who helped her and Miss Arline Tyler, who handled housing. Representa-

tion by districts, including Woman's Society members, was: Alexandria 11, Baton Rouge 14, Lafayette 6, Lake Charles 15, Monroe 22, New Orleans 28, Ruston 17, Shreveport 36; Total 149.

Miss Lawrey thanked the following for assisting her in the plans and the work as listed: Miss Sibyl Kelly, local chairman of arrangements; Broadmoor Church, caffee; First Church, Unit 2, coffee urns in James Dormitary and Mickle Hall; Batan Rauge District, cookies for coffee breaks; Monroe District, fellowship; Rustan District, supper snack Friday night; Mansfield Guild — Miss Elizabeth Ricks, chairman — platform arrangements; Miss Maree White, worship setting.

Miss Marilynn Carter reported that there were 471 paid subscriptions to **Christian Service Times**, 29 being taken during the Weekend.

Miss Evans reminded the group that the annual spring meeting will be at First Church, Shreveport, March 15-17, 1968; and that the School of Christian Mission will be July 14-19, 1968, at Centenary College.

Miss Hermine Tate and Mrs. R.M. Steere, delegates to the 1967 Jurisdiction Guild Weekend, gave a report of their attendance under the title "A Cup of Water," theme of the meeting.

Mrs. G.W. Dameron gave a presentation of the Book of Colossians, relating the scripture to leadership and chollenging the Guild to emulate the techniques of Paul in areas of leadership responsibility.

After a break, the members reassembled in Mickle Auditorium for the morning worship. Mrs. Milton Baldridge presided.

Dr. Jack Wilkes, President of Centenary College, gave the message of the hour, centering his words around Hebrews 13:12-13.

At the close of the service, Miss Evans declared the Twenty-first Annual Guild Weekend adjourned.

Maree White, Recording Secretary

MID-YEAR MEETING OF THE CONFERENCE GUILD COMMITTEE
Alexandria, Louisiana October 14-15, 1967

The annual Mid-Year Meeting of the Louisiana Conference Wesleyan Service Guild Committee opened at 2:00 P.M., October 14, 1967, at Holiday Inn in Alexandria, with Miss Mildred Evans, Conference Secretary, presiding.

The opening worship was led by Miss Bessie Rollo, Alexandria District Secretary.

The following members responded to the Recording Secretary's roll call: Miss Evans, Miss Maree White, Miss Elizabeth Langford, Mrs. C.G. Mainous, Miss Grace Lawson, Mrs. Milton Baldridge, Miss Dorathy Dunbar, Miss Elizabeth Lowery, Miss Marilynn Carter, Miss Bessie Rollo, Mrs. Joe Rountree, Miss Hermine Tate, Mrs. Rosa McCullough, Miss Margaret Field, Mrs. R.M. Steere, Mrs. C.B. McGowan, Mrs. Carl Gallaher, and Mrs. George W. Dameron.

Miss Evans introduced two guests attending the meeting by invitation of the Conference Guild Committee: Mrs. Mary Helen Craig, Conference Secretary of the Louisiana Canference Wesleyan Service Guild, and Mrs. Elizabeth Thomas, District Secretary af the Baton Rouge District, both of the Central Jurisdiction.

Miss Evans introduced two new district secretaries, attending their first Mid-Yeor meeting: Miss Field and Mrs. McCollough.

Mrs. Baldridge moved that the Journal of the Guild Weekend be approved. **Carried.** The Recording Secretary read notes from the four absent members: Mrs. Max Clayton, Mrs. Glenn Laskey, Mrs. Austin Miller, and Mrs. C.R. McCammon. Mrs. Mainous moved that cards be sent to these four. **Carried.**

Miss Evans appointed Miss Hermine Tate and Mrs. Joe Rountree on the Journal Committee for this meeting.

Mrs. C.B. McGowan, Conference President of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, gave her report. She told of a report by those attending three national meetings; a Town and Country Workshop at Columbus, Ohio; the National Assembly of Church Women United at Purdue University, Lafayette, Indiana; and a conference on Human Rights at Kansas City, Kansas. She said that emphasis this year will be on a deepened spiritual life. She urged cooperation with the Central Jurisdiction and the Evangelical United Brethren Church for organization of the United Methodist Church. She presented the Twenty-Seventh Annual Report of the Louisiana Conference.

Mrs. Carl Gallaher, Conference Treasurer, gave a financial statement for Wesleyan Service Guild for 1967-68 to October.

Receipts:	
Pledge (8 districts)	$4,632.38
Supply Work	1,000.93
MacDonell Methodist Center Bldg. Fund	130.40
	5,763.71
Louisiana Moral & Civic Foundation	138.90
	$5,902.61
Disbursements:	
Woman's Division on Pledge	$2,452.38
Supply Work	1,000.93
MacDonell Methodist Center Bldg. fund	130.40
Total paid to Woman's Division	3,583.71
Louisiana Moral & Civic Foundation	138.90
	$3,722.60

After supper the meeting reconvened.

Mrs. Mainous moved that the maximum amount allowed for meals for this meeting be $6.00 per person. Carried.

Reports by the eight district secretaries were then heard. Copies of these reports may be seen in the file of the Recording Secretary.

Miss Carter gave a report on **Christian Service Times**, outlining briefly the plans for the forthcoming issues. She said there were about 500 paid subscriptions.

Mrs. McGowan said that upon recommendation from the Woman's Society Conference Executive Committee, she would appoint a committee to study **Christian Service Times**, examining the financial structure, the type of material published, and the promotional value of the paper. Miss Evans appointed Miss Carter and Miss Tate to serve on the committee as Guild representatives.

Mrs. Mainous announced that a World Understanding Workshop for Baton Rouge and New Orleans districts will be held at First Church, Baton Rouge, December 9, beginning at 9:30 A.M. and continuing into the afternoon. The Central Jurisdiction will participate with the South Central Jurisdiction in this meeting. District officers of other districts may attend. Miss Langford and Mrs. McGowan announced two other similar meetings: one in Lake Charles on November 28 and 29, and one in Shreveport on November 30.

Mrs. Baldridge reported that the Spiritual Life Retreat, planned to be in January at Hot Wells, had been changed because of new management at Hot Wells. She said that the Lodge at Hodges Gardens could be reserved for April 27 and 28 — it will accommodate 60 persons. Miss Carter moved that Mrs. Baldridge proceed with these new plans. **Carried.**

The group enjoyed a coffee break with cookies given by Miss Elizabeth Lowrey.

Miss Evans announced that the Budget Committee will convene at 5:00. The

district secretaries were asked to meet at the same time in another room.

The Central Jurisdiction visitors were called on for a report of their work. Mrs. Craig reported that there are four districts in the Louisiana Conference with about 200 Guild members in all. There is much enthusiam in the work. Three Guild members served on the faculty on the Conference School of Missions at Gulfside in July. She attended Scarritt for three weeks during the past summer.

Mrs. Thomas spoke of her work in the Baton Rouge district, where the first unit was organized in 1958.

Mrs. Dameron proposed that a Standing Rule to provide a Historian for the Conference Guild be considered. She read the wording of a proposed Standing Rule to be submitted to the Woman's Society.

Miss Langford moved that the words "and Wesleyan Service Guild" be added to the wording of the Standing rule to be adopted by the Conference Woman's Society and that the Recording Secretary be responsible for the Guild records kept by the (one) Conference Historian. Carried.

Add new Standing Rule No. 30 to read:
On nomination of the Committee on Nominations, the Executive Committee shall elect a Conference Historian, whose election shall be confirmed at the next Annual Meeting of the Conference Society. The Historian shall serve for four years, during which time she shall be a member of the Executive Committee.

The Historian shall keep a record of events and actions in the Conference Society which may have historical significance, including published articles and pictures, programs, and other information. She shall make memorando, as needed, to develop an orderly sequence of events, to supply correct names of persons and their relationship to the society, and to note those events or actions which mark new programs or policies. She shall be alert to events in the district and local societies which will help to interpret the life and growth of the Woman's Society of Christian Service in Louisiana.

Miss Evans referred the matter to the Committee on By-laws and Standing Rules for presentation at the 1968 Spring Meeting.

The group adjourned for supper.

The meeting reconvened after supper.

Mrs. Gallaher presented the proposed pledge.

Alexandria	$2,601	Monroe	$4,190
Baton Rouge	3,389	New Orleans	3,330
Lafayette	2,146	Ruston	3,072
Lake Charles	3,638	Shreveport	3,807
		Total	$26,173

Mrs. Gallaher moved the adoption of the proposed pledge. **Carried.**

Mrs. Gallaher read the proposed budget.

Office Expense	$ 250
Annual Meeting	630
Conference Guild Weekend	175
Mid-Year Executive Meeting	300
Jurisdiction Guild Weekend	175
Regional School of Christian Mission	200
Juris. & Division Cultivation	125
Christian Service Times	150
Committees	100
Miscellaneous	75
Total Budget	$2,180

Mrs. Gallaher moved the adaption of the budget. **Carried.**

Mrs. Gallaher brought the following recommendations from the Conference Finance Committee:

Mrs. Gallaher moved that this committee recommended that the mileage allowance in Standing Rule 7g be changed to 7¢ a mile. **Carried.**

. . . that the mileage allowance in Standing Rule 7e be changed to 7¢ o mile. **Carried.**

. . . that the mileage allowance of Standing Rule 7f be changed to 7¢ and 3-1/2¢. **Carried.**

Mrs. Gallaher recommended that this Conference Guild Committee recommend that $300 be appropriated to send the Conference Secretary or an alternate chosen by the Conference Guild Committee to the General Conference in Dallas April 21 to May 4, 1968.

Mrs. Steere moved that $300 be appropriated to send Miss Langford to New York in December, 1967, to attend a Christian Social Relations meeting. **Carried.**

Miss Langford moved that the Registration fee for the Spring Meeting be $2. **Carried.**

Mrs. Baldridge gave a report on Conference Spiritual Life Cultivation.

Miss Langford gave a report on Conference Christian Social Relations.

Miss Evans requested that the By-laws and Standing Rules Committee meet before the Spring Meeting.

Miss Margaret Field gave the closing meditation of the evening.

The meeting reconvened at 8:30 Sunday morning.

Mrs. Mainous gave a report on Conference Missionary Education and Service.

Miss Lawson gave a report on Conference Porgram Materials. She reported that $429.05 materials from Service Center had been sold at Guild Weekend.

Miss Dunbar gave a report on Conference Supply Work.

Miss Lowrey gave a report of the work being done by the Conference Committee on Nominations.

Miss Evans gave the Conference Secretary's Report.

Copies of these reports by conference officers may be seen in file of the Recording Secretary.

Miss Elizabeth Lnagford, program chairman, outlined the plans for the 1968 Spring Meeting.

Miss Evans gave the highlights of the program planned for Guild Weekend, 1968; Mrs. Baldridge, who could not remain for this Sunday session, will be program chairman for the summer meeting.

Mrs. Dameron moved that the Conference Guild Committee petition the Woman's Division to use its powers to update the Quarterly Conference Report for the local Woman's Society of Christian Service, and to specifically include the Wesleyan Service Guild. **Carried.**

The closing worship was given by Miss Evans.

—Maree White, Recording Secretary

WESLEYAN SERVICE GUILD
CONFERENCE COMMITTEE MEETING
Friday, March 15, 1968

The Louisiana Conference Wesleyan Service Guild Committee met in the Marlin Room of the Captain Shreve Hotel in Shreveport at 8:00 P.M., Friday, March 15, 1968, with Miss Mildred Evans, Conference Secretary, presiding. Mrs. Milton Baldridge led the opening worship. Mrs. Daisy Bergeron was designated to act as Recording Secretary until the arrival of the Conference Recording Secretary, who was late.

Roll was called and the following were present: Miss Evans, Mrs. Baldridge, Miss Elizabeth Langford, Mrs. C.G. Mainous, Miss Groce Lawson, Miss Elizabeth Lowrey, Miss Bessie Rollo, Mrs. Joe Rountree, Miss Hermine Tate, Mrs. Rosa McCullough, Miss Margaret Field, Mrs. R.M. Steere, Mrs. C.B. McGowan, Mrs. Carl Gallaher, and Mrs. C.R. McCammon. Guests present were: Mrs. Bergeron, Mrs. John Howe, editor of **Christian Service Times**, and Mrs. Alfred Knox from **Louisiana Methodist**. Miss Dorothy Dunbar, Miss Marilynn Carter, and Miss Maree White orrived late. Letters were read from Mrs. Glenn Laskey and from Mrs. Austin Miller, explaining their absence. Mrs. Bladridge moved that cards be sent to absent members. **Carried.**

Miss Evans called for corrections in the minutes of the Mid-Year Meeting, October 14-15, 1967. Mrs. McGawan corrected a part of paragraph 8 to read, "She told of a report by those attending three national meetings . . . " The minutes were approved as corrected.

Miss Evans appointed committees and tellers to serve during this meeting. (See minutes of Saturday afternoon for these lists.)

Miss Elizabeth Lowrey, Chairman of the Committee on Nominations, read the list of nominees being recommended by her committee. (See Saturday afternoon session for this list.)

Miss Elizabeth Langford, program chairman for this Spring Meeting, reported changes in the printed program: the opening prayer for the Saturday afternoon session will be by Mrs. John Howe, replacing Mrs. Milton Baldridge; the name of the Saturday afternoon soloist is Mrs. Ray Coburn instead of Miss Jennie Coburn; the closing prayer at the Sunday breakfast will be by Miss Margie Bouttee, replacing Mrs. Jean Gilmore.

The Recording Secretary distributed to the District Secretaries forms for reporting district officers and local presidents.

Miss Evans explained that the new Women's Society officers will take office June 1. Mrs. Mainous moved that the new officers of the Conference Wesleyan Service Guild take office on June 1 this year. **Carried.**

Miss White, as chairman of the Bylaws and Standing Rules Committee, distributed copies of the changes in the Louisiana Conference Standing Rules as approved by the Conference Committee at the October, 1967, Mid-Year Meeting. These will be distributed to the voting delegates at the first general session. (See minutes of the Sunday session for these Rules.)

Miss Carter, Guild editor of **Christian Service Times**, gave a report on the publication. She told of a meeting held in Baton Rouge in January, 1968, of a special Woman's Society-Guild committee appointed to evaluate the paper. She read the following report of this committee:

The committee to evaluate the Conference paper **Christian Service Times** met in the home of Mrs C.B. McGowan on January 10, 1968.

The committee decided that its first duty was to determine if the paper has fulfilled the obligation and purpose to the Conference. It was the thinking of the committee that the paper had fulfilled its purpose to the Conference and in doing so had brought a feeling of closeness between the members of the Woman's Society of

Christian Service and the Wesleyan Service Guild. The committee feels that the paper has even greater potential to help the Society and Guild members.

In the light of this evaluation we recommend that the paper be continued for three years with a very careful evaluation being made at the end of two years from this date (January, 1968).

The committee was of the opinion that every effort should be made to make the paper self-supporting by subscription; to achieve this goal it is estimated an annual budget of $1,500.00 will be needed. It is hoped that starting in June, 1969, the paper will be on a paying basis through subscriptions. At such time the free copy that is presently being sent to the president of the local Society and Guild will be stopped. Then the only copies that will be sent into local Societies and Guilds will be on a subscription basis.

To help make the **Christian Service Times** self supporting, the promotion of the paper needs to be enlarged with more effort on the part of the Districts. The committee thinks this can be better accomplished by having someone in each district charged with the responsibility of promoting **Christian Service Times** in that district. The person charged with the responsibility of promoting the paper in the district will be selected by the District President, who will send the name of the person selected to the Conference. A similar pattern will be followed by the Guild.

If the paper is to develop the potential and serve the Conference as we think it can, we are of the opinion that it needs the full efforts and attention of those responsible. Therefore, we recommend that when the term of office of the present staff expires, the Editor-in-Chief, the Editor of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, the Editor of the Wesleyan Service Guild, and the Business Manager not hold any other Conference office. We recommend that there be only one Business Manager serving both the Woman's Society and the Wesleyan Service Guild.

In evaluating how the paper may serve the local woman, we feel that if the President of the local Society or Guild would use the paper wisely in her meetings, the paper could become an educational tool for members of the local Society and Guild. It was found that often times the local president did not share the paper with her members in any way. Therefore we suggest that each District President and District Secretary encourage local Presidents to use the paper and suggest ways of using it to benefit the local woman.

In a frank and open discussion with some of the staff of the paper, it was decided that the paper could bring more up-to-date information, help in the promoting of lines of work, and bring information on the total program of the Woman's Society of Christian Service and the Wesleyan Service Guild.

We hope the committee has served the Conference in the way the Conference desired. With this wish we submit this report.

Mrs. Wiley B. Gardner, Chairman
Mrs. W.F. Manning, Jr., Miss Marilynn Carter,
Mrs. John Howe, Jr., Miss Hermine Tate

Miss Carter moved the adoption of this report. **Carried.** Mrs. Howe reported that the Conference Woman's Society had adopted the report in their session earlier this week. Miss Carter distributed and explained two forms that will be given out at the meeting tomorrow to promote **Christian Service Times** and to secure subscriptions. Miss Arline Tyler and Miss Adeline Durham have agreed to handle Guild subscriptions another year.

Mrs. McGowan told the names of the newly-elected officers of the Conference Women's Society.

Mrs. Baldridge, Conference Chairman of Spiritual Life Cultivation, reported on final plans for the Conference Study Retreat to be held at Hodges Gardens Lodge, Many, Louisiana, on April 27-28, 1968. Mrs. John Howe will serve as leader of the retreat.

Refreshments were served by Miss Elizabeth Longford.

The Fridoy evening sessian closed with o memariol service far Miss Sue Batton, farmer Canference Secretary af Wesleyan Service Guild, who died in Minden an February 17, 1968.

The Committee reconvened in the Caloniol Roam of the Coptain Shreve Hotel ot breokfast ot 8:00 Soturdoy morning. Mrs. McComman led the prayer before the meal.

Miss Corter moved that the maney fram the sale af Baakmarks far Missians be sent in memory af Miss Sue Battan, farmer Canference Guild Secretary, ond Mrs. Robert Reich, recently deceased afficer af the Conference Waman's Society; ond thot the Saturday afternoon affering be dedicated in honar of the fallowing Canference officers af the Womon's Saciety: Mrs. C.R. McComman, Mrs. L.C. Aycack, Mrs. Max Cloytan, Mrs. Garland Deon, ond Mrs. W.B. Gordner, and Miss Elizobeth Lowrey, Choirman Cammittee on Naminotians, Conference Wesleyan Service Guild. Carried.

Miss Evans exploined that because of o business canflict she will not be able to attend Generol Canference in Dallos April 21 to Moy 4. Miss Dunbor maved thot Miss Elizobeth Langford be named alternate to Miss Evans. Carried.

There wos some discussian cancerning the changeover ta the new orgonizotion, the Wamen's Saciety af Christian Service and Wesleyan Service Guild af the United Methodist Church, to be perfected ofter the unification of the Methodist Church with the Evangelical United Brethren at the General Canference in April. The Canference changeaver will probably take place ot the Conference Schoal af Christian Missian in July. Miss Evons osked the District Secretaries ta urge every Guild unit ta be represented ot the Schaol. October, 1968, has been designoted as Chorter Month for argonization af lacal units under unification. Mrs. Gallaher exploined that there will be na change in finance: the pledge far 1968-69 will be the same as for 1967-68 plus twice the amount af the original 1967-68 Supply Askings. The affice af Supply Work will be eliminated under the new structure.

Mrs. McGowon exploined that each Canference af the South Central Jurisdictian will select six delegates (ane af wham will be the Guild Conference Choirmon) ta attend the Regional Schaol af Christiam Missian at Mt. Sequayoh June 17-21, 1968. Immediately ofter this Schaal, the arganizationol meeting af the Jurisdiction will take ploce. Mrs. McGowan infarmed the cammittee thot ot the Annuol Meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service the six delegotes from the Lauisiano Canference were elected and that ane of these was Miss Evans. She suggested thot the Guild elect an alternate to Miss Evons.

Mrs. Mainaus reminded the group of the Mission Seminor ta be held at Business Girls' Inn in Shreveport April 19-21.

Miss Dunbor reported thot the ariginal Supply Askings far this yeor hod been met, but thot the doubled portian had nat been fully poid. She asked thot this item be pramoted.

Miss Evans onnaunced thot the Louisiona Canference quoto is ten ta stoy an the mountain at Jurisdictian Guild Weekend ot Mt. Sequayoh June 14-16, 1968. Louisiona will have the responsibility for the platfarm. The theme will be "Faith ta Find the Poths Ahead."

Mrs. Hazel Dabney, Jurisdictian Secretary af Wesleyan Service Guild, will be on the faculty af the Conference Schaol af Christian Missian ot Centenary Callege, Shreveport, July, 15-19, 1968. It wos the cansensus af the graup that she be asked ta remain far the Canference Guild Weekend ot Centenory College July 19-21.

It was agreed, because af the changes in structure and in officers, thot the selectian of the progrom chairmen far the next two Conference meetings be deferred

until the Guild Weekend. Mrs. Velma Thomas of Lake Charles will handle Program Materials at the 1968 Conference Guild Weekend. The Committee approved this appointment. Miss Evans will make conference committee appointments at the Guild Weekend. She will announce the dates of the Mid-Year Meeting of the Conference Guild Committee after the Regional School.

Mrs. McGawan led the prayer of dismissal.

—Maree White, Recording Secretary

Seventeenth Annual Meeting
WESLEYAN SERVICE GUILD
March 15—17, 1968
"A Cup of Water"

Friday, March 15, 1968

Hotel Headquarters —Captain Shreve Hotel

5:00 P.M.	Registration	Lobby
8:00 P.M.	Conference Guild Committee Meeting	Marlin Room

Saturday, March 16, 1968

8.00 A.M.	Conference Guild Committee Breakfast	Colonial Room
9:00 A.M.	Registration, continued	Lobby
10:00 A.M.	District Secretaries' Meeting	First Methodist Church —Junior Hi Department
12:00 Noon	Registration, continued	First Methodist Church Bain Hall

AFTERNOON SESSION

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH — JUNIOR HIGH DEPARTMENT
(Second floor — Elevator available)

1:00 P.M.	Piano Prelude	
	Theme Hymn "Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life"	No. 204
	Convening of the Seventeenth Annual Meeting	Miss Mildred Evans
	Prayer	Mrs. John Howe
	Welcome	Mrs. R. M. Lindsey and Mrs. Violet Dickens
	Presentation of Program	Miss Elizabeth Langford
	Report of Recording Secretary	Miss Maree White
	Appointment of Committees	
	Report of Nominating Committee	Miss Elizabeth Lowrey
	Election by Ballot	
	Report of New York U.N. Seminar and Christian Social Relations Conference	Miss Elizabeth Langford
	Report of Christian Service Times	Miss Marilynn Carter
	Announcements	
	Report from Ballots	
	Address— "I Was Thirsty and Ye Gave Me Drink"	Miss Arline Tyler
	Offering for Missions	
	Solo "Fill My Cup, Lord"	Mrs. Ray Coburn
3:30 P.M.	Pledge Service	Mrs. Carl Gallaher
6:00 P.M.	Banquet	Bain Hall, First Methodist Church
	Presiding	Miss Dorothy Dunbar
	Invocation	Mrs. Alvin Sandefur
	Introductions	Miss Mildred Evans

	Recognition of Out-going Officers	
	Entertainment —Humorist	Mrs. E. J. Barksdale
	Address	
	"A Quick Look at a Big World"	Dr. W. E. Trice
	Benediction	Mrs. Irene Deas
8:00 P.M.	Open House —Business Girls' Inn	814 Cotton Street

Sunday, March 17, 1968

7:00 A.M.	Breakfast	Lake Room, Captain Shreve Hotel
	Presiding	Mrs. Milton C. Baldridge
	Invocation	Mrs. Helen Owen
	Meditation "To Fill This Cup"	Mrs. Maxine Watkins
	Prayer	Miss Margie Bouttee
8:45 A.M.	Business Session	Couch Chapel, First Methodist Church
	Order of Business	Miss Mildred Evans
	Gathering of Evaluation Sheets	District Secretaries
	Report of Conference Secretary	Miss Mildred Evans
	Guild Hymn	
	Installation of Officers	Mrs. C. B. McGowan
10:20 A.M.	"The Breaking of Bread"	Dr. D. L. Dykes
10:40 A.M.	Adjournment	
11:00 A.M.	Worship Service —Sanctuary	
12:00 Noon	Buffet in Reception Suite	Couch Chapel Hosted by Shreveport District

SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL SPRING MEETING
LOUISIANA CONFERENCE WESLEYAN SERVICE GUILD
March 15-17, 1968

The Seventeenth Annual Spring Meeting of the Louisiana Conference Wesleyan Service Guild convened in the assembly room of the Junior High Department of the First Methodist Church, Shreveport, at 1:00 P.M., March 16, 1968, with Miss Mildred Evans, Conference Secretary, presiding. Mrs. John Howe, Woman's Society Conference Secretary of Spiritual Life Cultivation, gave the opening prayer. The group was welcomed by the Presidents of the two Guild Units of First Church, Mrs. R.M. Lindsey and Mrs. Violet Dickens.

Miss Elizabeth Langford, Program Chairman for the meeting, presented the program with two substitutions and one name correction.

The Recording Secretary read the following appointments and recommendations: Journal Committee: Mrs. C.G. Mainous and Miss Margaret Field. Resolutions Committee: Mrs. R.M. Steere, Mrs. Rosa McCullough, and Miss Hermine Tate. Distributing Tellers: Mrs. J.G. Chumley, Mrs. Gene Stroup, Mrs. Lilly Harris, and Mrs. Naomi Gannaway. Counting Tellers: Miss MargieBouttee, Mrs. Lois St. John, Miss Billie Hawkins, and Mrs. Abbie Leckie.

Recommendations from the Conference Guild Committee: That the Bookmarks for Missions offering be dedicated in Memory of Miss Sue Batton and Mrs. Robert Reich.

That the Saturday afternoon offering be dedicated in honor of Mrs. C.R. McCammon, Mrs. L.C. Aycock, Mrs. Max Clayton, Mrs. W.B. Gardner, and Mrs. Garland Dean and Miss Elizabeth Lowrey, Chairman Committee on Nominations, Conference Wesleyan Service Guild.

That the Conference Guild appraprate $300.00 to send the Conference Guild Secretary or her alternate to General Conference in Dallas April 21, to May 4, 1968, as an observer.

Mrs. Alvin Sandefur moved that the recommendations be accepted. Carried.

The Recording Secretary distributed copies of the proposed changes in the Standing Rules with explanatians, instructing the voting delegates that these would be voted on at the Sunday morning business session. (See minutes of that session for copy.)

Miss Elizabeth Lowrey, Chairman of the Committee on Nominations, presented the following naminatians: for Recording Secretary, Mrs. Daisy Bergeron (West

Monroe); for Chairman of the Committee on Nominations, Miss Arline Tyler (Shreveport); for members of the Committee on Nominations, Miss Lillian Kennedy (Baton Rouge) and Mrs. Bee Sandefur (Bunkie); for delegates to Jurisdiction Guild Weekend, Miss Bessie Rollo (Alexandria) and Mrs. Rosa McCullough (DeRidder); for delegates to the Regional School of Christian Mission, Mrs. Louise Baldridge (Metairie); Miss Elizabeth Langford (Monroe), and Mrs. Virginia Ward (West Monroe).

Miss Evans called for nominations from the floor for each office. There being none, she declared the candidates named by the committee elected.

Miss Evans introduced Mrs. Alfred Knox of **Louisiana Methodist**; Mr. John Howe, Director of MacDonell Methodist Center in Houma; Mrs. Maxine Watkins, Director of Business Girls' Inn in Shreveport; Miss Louise Sharp of St. Mark's Community Center in New Orleans; Mrs. C.B. McGowan, Louisiana Conference President of Woman's Society; Miss Margaret Field, a Deaconess at Methadist Hame Haspital in New Orlenas; Mrs. Carl Gallaher, Conference Treasurer; and Mrs. Elva Huckaby, a case worker at Methodist Hame Hospital.

Miss Elizabeth Langford gave a very fine report of her attendance last December at a United Nations Seminar and a Conference on Christian Social Relations.

Miss Morilynn Carter reported on a meeting last January of a joint committee of Woman's Society and Guild persons appointed to evaluate **Christian Service Times**; she gove o gist of the report. (See Conference Committee Meeting for the full report.)

Miss Arline Tyler gave the theme message: "I was Thirsty and Ye Gave Me Drink."

An offering for Missions was taken by the District Secretaries.

Mrs. Ray Coburn sang "Fill My Cup, Lord."

The District Secretaries, led by the Treasurer, Mrs. Gallaher, made the following Pledge to Missions during an impressive ceremony: Alexandria District $2601.00, Baton Rouge $3389.00, Lafayette $2146.00, Lake Charles $3638.00, Monroe $4190.00, New Orleans $3330.00, Ruston $3072.00, and Shreveport $3807.00. Total $26,173.00.

Miss Evans asked for the floor for personal privilege. She presented a Certificate in recognition of a Gift to Missions in the name of each of the following, with whom she had worked closely during the last two years: Miss Dorothy Dunbar, Miss Grace Lawson, Miss Elizabeth Lowrey, Miss Maree White, Mrs. W.B. Gardner, Mrs. Max Clayton, Mrs. G. W. Dameron, Mrs. C.G. Mainous, Mrs. C.R. McCamman, and Mrs. Garland Dean.

EVENING SESSION

The evening banquet was served at six o'clock in Bain Hall of First Methodist Church. Miss Dorothy Dunbar presided and Mrs. Alvin Sandefur gave the invocation. Miss Mildred Evans introduced these at the head table; and Dr. D.L. Dykes, host minister, introduced the ministers and their wives who were present. Miss Evans introduced the District Secretaries.

Entertainment was furnished by Mrs. E.J. Barksdale, singer and humorist, and her accompanist, Mrs. Elizabeth Trickett.

Outgoing officers were presented Honorary Life Memberships: Miss Marilynn Carter presented one to Miss Dorothy Dunbar and one to Miss Maree White; Miss Elizabeth Langford presented one to Miss Grace Lawson; Mrs. Alvin Sandefur made the presentation to Mrs. C.G. Mainous; and Miss Mildred Evans presented Mrs. Carl Gallaher's.

Miss Evans introduced Dr. W.E. Trice, minister of University Park Methodist Church, Dallas, who gave the evening address entitled "A Quick Look at a Big World."

The benediction was given by Mrs. Irene Deas.

After the Evening Session, the group was privileged to tour Business Girls' Inn and be entertained at a reception in that lovely home.

Sunday, March 17, 1968

BREAKFAST

The Sunday breakfast was served in the Lake Room of the Captain Shreve Hotel. Mrs. Milton Baldridge presided and Mrs. Helen Owen gave the invocation.

The morning meditation, entitled "To Fill This Cup," was given by Mrs. Maxine Watkins. The closing prayer was given by Miss Margie Bouttee.

BUSINESS SESSION

The final session of the meeting was held in Couch Chapel of First Church, with Miss Evans presiding.

Miss Sybil Kelly, Chairman of Registration, gave the attendance by Districts: Alexandria 10, Baton Rouge 16, Lafayette 8, Lake Charles 21, Monroe 27, New Orleans 19, Ruston 9, Shreveport 62, guest 36. Total 208.

Miss Evans called for a nomination for an alternate in case she cannot attend the Regional School of Christian Missions at Mt. Sequoyah June 17-21 and be present for the organization of the Jurisdiction under the new structure. Miss Langford nominated Mrs. Daisy Bergeron, who was elected to be the alternate.

Mrs. Baldridge spoke briefly about the Conference Spiritual Life Study Retreat to be held at Hodges Gardens Lodge April 27-28, 1968.

Miss Tyler urged attendance at the Weekend Mission Seminar to be held at Business Girls' Inn April 19-21, 1968.

Miss Marilynn Carter urged all to subscribe to **Christian Service Times**, sending their subscriptions to Miss Arline Tyler.

Miss Evans announced that Mrs. Irene Black of New Orleans, always a faithful attendant at Guild meetings, has been ill and has recently been released from the hospital.

The following changes in the Conference Standing Rules were presented for votes:

Pages 133 and 134 of the Twenty-Seventh Annual Report:

Amend Rule 7c to read:

> Expenses of the following Guild Committee Members to the Conference Guild Weekend shall be paid from the Conference Cultivation Fund: the Conference Secretary, the Recording Secretary, the Chairmen of Lines of work, co-opted Guild members to the Committee, and Woman's Society members on the Committee.

Amend Rule 7e to read:

> Expenses of the Conference Secretary, the Recording Secretary, and the Chairmen of Lines of Work who attend the Jurisdiction Guild Weekend and the Regional School of Christian Mission shall be paid from the Conference Cultivation Fund. If four or fewer of this group attend, travel shall be in one car, and **seven cents** per mile shall be paid from the Conference Cultivation Fund. If five or more persons make up the official delegation, the expenses of two cars at **seven cents per mile** each car shall be paid from the Conference Cultivation Fund. Travel to and from the place

of meeting of an official car shall be paid by the Conference. If any designated person elects to travel by means other than above, she shall do so at her own expense.

Amend Rule 7f to read:

Expenses of the two elected delegates to Jurisdiction Guild Weekend shall be paid from Conference Cultivation Fund. The two elected delegates shall travel in one car with an allowed expense of **seven cents per mile.** If they elect to travel in separate cars, they shall prorate the allowed expense of **seven cents per mile,** or **three and one-half cents per mile** per car.

Amend Rule 7g to read:

Transportation by car for members of the Conference Guild Committee on official business within the Conference shall be allowed at **seven cents per mile.** Car pools are recommended and care should be exercised to accommodate four persons in a car whenever possible. When Conference and District officers of the Wesleyan Service Guild and the Woman's Society of Christian Service and other riders travel together in a car, each person should share in the expense of the car, the conference officer charging her pro-rata to the conference, and the district officer charging hers to the district, and other riders assuming their share of the expenses of the car.

Add Rule 11 to read:

The retiring Conference Secretary of Wesleyan Service Guild shall be a member of the Conference Guild Committee for one year following her term of office.

Add Rule 12 to read:

A member of the Conference Guild Committee shall be a member of the District Guild Committee of the District wherein she resides.

Add Rule 13 to read:

The Recording Secretary shall be the designated person to assist the Historian of the Conference Woman's Society and Wesleyan Service Guild in securing information, particularly related to the Wesleyan Service Guild, for the historical records of the Conference Guild and Society.

Miss Maree White moved that these changes be adopted. Carried.

Mrs. R.M. Steere read the report of the Resolutions Committee.

To the Seventeenth Annual Meeting of the Wesleyan Service Guild in session in Shreveport, Louisiana, March 15-17, 1968:

We express sincere appreciation to all who joyously and graciously contributed to the success of this meeting:

To the entire Shreveport District, under the capable leadership of Miss Elizabeth Lowrey, District Secretary; Mrs. Violet Dickens and Mrs. Patty Lindsey of First Methodist Church; and the various Guilds who so efficiently handled the registration, preparation and distribution of packets, table decorations, the Open House at Business Girls' Inn, the various meals including the courtesy luncheon provided by Noel, transportation, and the services furnished by the pages;

To Miss Elizabeth Langford, Program Chairman, for a smooth-running program which lifted us to new heights as it "filled our cups;"

To the Monroe District for the novel "Bookmarks for Missions;"

To Mrs. Carl Gallaher, Mrs. Ray Coburn, soloist, and the District Secretaries for an inspiring Pledge Service;

To Miss Arline Tyler for her inspirational address, providing new and

deeper insights into the theme, "A Cup of Water;"

To Dr. W.E. Trice for his challenging message and to Mrs. E.J. Barksdale for her delightful entertainment;

To all our visitors including especially Reverend and Mrs. John Howe, and Mrs. Alfred Knox for their presence with us;

To Maxine Watkins for the lovely meditation;

To Mrs. C.B. McGowan for the impressive installation ceremony;

To Dr. D.L. Dykes for his warm welcome and meaningful meditation on "The Breaking of Bread;"

And finally, to our most efficient Conference Secretary, Miss Mildred Evans, for her gracious and dedicated leadership.

Mrs. R.M. Steere
Mrs. Rosa McCullough
Miss Hermine Tate

Miss Langford moved that those resolutions be sent to **Louisiana Methodist** and be made a part of our record. **Carried.**

Miss Evans reported that the Saturday offering was $156 and that the Bookmark sale had amounted to $93.

Miss Mildred Evans gave the report of the Conference Secretary.

Miss Tyler moved that Miss Evans's report be received with a rising vote of thanks.

After the singing of the Guild Hymn, Mrs. McGowan installed Mrs. Daisy Bergeron, the new Conference Recording Secretary; and Miss Arline Tyler, new chairman of the Committee on Nominations.

Dr. D.L. Dykes led the ceremony of the Breaking of Bread. This service closed the Seventeenth Annual meeting on a spiritual note.

— Maree White, Recording Secretary

REPORT OF THE LOUISIANA CONFERENCE SECRETARY WESLEYAN SERVICE GUILD

Miss Mildred Evans

For my report today I thought about giving you a detailed and statistical report of past events and meetings. As a matter of fact I did prepare such a report, but since we are facing structurol changes in the Wesleyan Service Guild and the Woman's Society of Christian Service beginning June 1, 1968, it is more to the point to talk about this.

October 28-29, 1967, as members of the Guild Committee of the South Central Jurisdiction Wesleyan Service Guild, Mrs. C.B. McGowan and I were privileged to attend the Theological Study Retreat at Mt. Sequoyah led by the Jurisdiction Secretary of the Wesleyan Service Guild, Mrs. Hazel L. Dabney.

After opening the study retreat by reading Galatians 5:22-26 in which Paul, writing to the Christian congregations at Galatia, says "If the Spirit is the source of our life, let the Spirit also direct our course.", Mrs. Dabney stated "Our purpose is to concern ourselves as individuals and as Christians and the ways in which we witness. We would begin with ourselves and by thinking of the local Guilds — ways we can improve our local units — ways in which we can serve — the kind of organization we want for the Woman's Society of Christian Service and the Wesleyan Service Guild — and their items of concern."

As we moved into the study of Harvey Potthoff's book "A Theology for Christian Witnessing" we began to think about our reasons for being a Wesleyan Service Guild and Woman's Society.

Here for the first time we became briefly and vaguely aware that changes were in the making for our organization. The very idea of not having a Jurisdiction Wesleyan Service Guild of our own was more disturbing and distressing than challenging. We even drafted a letter and telegrams that were sent to our Woman's Division President, Mrs. Laskey, and members of the Guild Committee of the Woman's Division. Thinking back on this time that we were together, how much better it would have been had we accepted the challenge of change for these changing times, and thought of how many things we could do together and how much more effective workers and witnesses we could be with our organization working closer together and more as one than as two separate and distinct organizations in The United Methodist Church.

All of you here today, I am sure are now aware of the structural changes at all levels that will take place in the Wesleyan Service Guild and Woman's Society of Christian Service as of June 1, 1968.

Both, Mrs. McGowan and I have been happy and proud of the closeness with which the Conference Officers and Committees of the Woman's Society and the Wesleyan Service Guild work and serve together, but does this same closeness and cooperation exist on the district and local levels? You know and I know that it does not. In some of the districts and many of the local Guild units one would think that there were two separate and distinct women's organizations instead of a Woman's Society of Christian Service and its auxiliary, the Wesleyan Service Guild.

Let us take a look for a moment at the name of our new organization and some of the areas of structural change, particularly in areas of offices.

Our new name will be "The Women's Society of Christian Service and Wesleyan Service Guild of The United Methodist Church." Just thinking about the name of our church, from The Methodist Church to The United Methodist Church, of which our women's organization is an important part, should shake us and make us realize that we are one organization and that as such we should work and serve and witness together.

In the Women's Society at the Conference and District level instead of secretaries of various lines of work, you will have chairmen of program areas; namely, Christian Social Relations, Missionary Education and Spiritual Growth. You will have a Secretary of Program Materials. In the Wesleyan Service Guild, we will no longer have Chairmen of Lines of Work. We will have Task Groups in Program Areas. Your Chairmen of Program Areas are members of the Conference Guild Committee. This Committee is to determine what Task Groups are needed and select the chairmen. This change, alone, should bring the Women's Society and the Wesleyan Service Guild to a better understanding and be a greater challenge to serve, work, and witness together. Just think of what wonderful things can be accomplished in the areas of social justice and human relations, to say the least, with the Women's Society and the Guild working on such projects in closer cooperation and relationship.

A similar hope and challenge is offered to the districts and the local units.

Think of the local Guild unit and the local Women's Society actually working together on membership. This should be good for both of us. It should mean an increase in total membership, new circles, and new Guild units.

And so as "we come together in full expectation . . .

. . . that God can do great things with us and through us
. . . that we will gain new insights
. . . that we will have a new awareness of what we are and what we must do as Christian women
. . . that we may look at all our activities in the light of today's world.

May we enter into the new organization thinking of it as starting over again, building on new patterns and accepting the challenge that provides the freedom to build the kind of program that meets the needs in each of our Guilds — Conference, District, and the Local."

COMMITTEE REPORTS
CHRISTIAN SOCIAL RELATIONS
Elizabeth Langford—Conference Chairman

This has been a good year in Christian Social Relations. The issues that face our Guild women have been many, but we are not standing still. Reports from Guilds show that Guild programs on subjects relating to Christian Social Relations, panel discussions at local and district meetings, brunches, area Spin-Off Workshops, etc., have been held throughout the conference.

As your Conference Chairman I have had the privilege of meeting with several Guilds. I attended last year's Spring Meeting: a Jurisdiction Planning Conference at Mt. Sequoyah in May; the Regional School of Christian Mission in Dallas in June; our Conference Guild Weekend in July; and a U.N. Seminar and Planning-Orientation Conference in New York in December.

An outstanding accamplishment for the year was the SPIN-OFF WORK SHOPS conducted in three areas; Lake Charles, November 28-29; Shreveport, November 30; and Baton Rouge December 9. Guild women were invited to participate. I regret that illness, very bad weather, and a conflicting date caused me to miss all three Work-Shops. Excellent reports have come from them to me. I have appreciated the fine cooperation given me by the Conference W.S.C.S. Chairman, Mary Ellen Gardner. The Citizenship Brunch for Baton Rouge District has become an annual event. This year, Sunday, January 21, at First Methodist Church, under the leadership of Florence Barnes, District Chairman of Christian Social Relations, was a great success. Well planned and executed, it proved to be a delightful occasion. I heartily recommend Brunches to our Guilders in other districts. Especially during Election Year — 1968, you will find an opportunity to get acquainted with issues, candidates, and policies that need to be presented and discussed.

Guilds in Shreveport District are interested in assisting in meeting the needs at our Business Girls' Inn. Reports show that local needs and projects have involved many of our Guilds.

Looking ahead, may I urge each Guild to make every attempt to have your Chairman of Christian Social Relations attend every meeting on the district or conference level, in order to become better informed. The Christian Social Relations page in METHODIST WOMAN is an essential requirement for the chairman. Current needs and issues appear in each number and the well informed chairman needs these guidelines. Order from your headquarters, leaflets and pamphlets that relate to the goals that are set for 1968. Special recommendations have been printed for your use.

Be prepared to have your Guild involved in:

1. International Human Rights Year 1968
2. World Understanding Workshops
3. Race and the Methodist Church
4. Election Issues and Responsibilities in 1968

Suggest to your minister that your C.S.R. Chairman be on the Commission on Christian Social Concerns in your local church.

Secure literature on UNICEF and observe UNICEF in your church area.

When the Studies for 68-69 are announced, cooperate with your Commission on Missions in promoting their presentation in your church. If possible, attend the Conference School on Christian Mission.

Write me for any help I may give you. Keep in touch with your District Chairman. Put my name on your Prayer list, that our work may be guided by the Master Designer.

MISSIONARY EDUCATION AND SERVICE

Mrs. C.G. Mainous, Conference Chairman

This year 1967-68, the second year of Mission Studies under the direction of District Chairmen, according to a poll of January 1967 showed less than half of the Districts participating in District Mission Conferences or Church Mission Studies on the local level. Of course, study is not the only area of Guild program and in other areas there has been much progress.

When we consider that the majority of meetings that involve both WSCS and WSG are held during the day it is easy to understand why Guild members are not able to attend. For professional people there are peak periods when it is not possible to attend meetings that are not job related. Some of the District Mission Conferences did not include the Guild Chairmen, in that they were not notified. On the local level the Chairmen, in many cases, are not included in the planning for Church Mission study.

Guild members were urged to focus attention on Vietnam and to secure the leaflets produced by the Board of Missions and the Board of Christian Social Concerns. They were further urged to make their feelings known to Senators and Representatives.

The Weekend Mission Seminars were another area in which much interest was evidenced.

Statistics, according to the last report, showed 6 studies completed and 8 in progress. This is under the number usually reported.

SPIRITUAL LIFE CULTIVATION

Mrs. Milton C. Baldridge, Conference Chairman

The year 1967-68 has been an interesting and inspiring year. Beginning with the Gulf Regional School of Christian Mission held June 19-23, 1967 at Dallas, Texas for the studies: "Christ and the Faith of Men" — "Ecumenicity" — "Japan" — and "Man and Community."

All Guild Units worked untiring and willingly on all the Spiritual areas of the program for Guild Weekend July 21-23, 1967. Many thanks for your wonderful cooperation.

Your chairman for Guild Weekend was responsible for the following:
Morning Watch, prayers and table Graces.
Application Group . . . . . " Christ and the Faith of Men,"
Participated in the . . . . . "Dialogue for Conference: Guild Officers."
Responsible for the . . . . . Sunday Morning "Worship Service."

Let me urge you to continue the use of the Prayer Calendar. Continue Prayer Groups, Prayer Partners, Personal Prayer time, Quiet Days & Days Apart, all are a source of spiritual enrichment which will deepen and strengthen your prayer life.

The annual observance of the "Call to Prayer and Self Denial" is an excellent opportunity for prayers and sharing. MacDonell Methodist Center was one of the recipients this year. I received one hundred (100) brochures from Mr. John Howe and forwarded them to the local units.

We hope all units have completed the four studies for this year. If you have not, plan to continue them.

The Conference Retreat was held at Hodges Gardens April 27-28, 1968. The Theme: "Treasure in Earthen Vessels", The text: "A Theology for Christian Witnessing." The leader: Mrs. John Howe, Jr., Secretary of Spiritual Life, La. Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service. 37 attended.

As we go forward seeking to strengthen our spiritual life let us pause and think on these words concerning your spiritual life:

1. Do you pray always?
2. Do you rejoice in God every moment?
3. Do you in everything give thanks — in loss, in pain, in sickness, in weariness, in disappointment?
4. Do you desire nothing?
5. Do you fear nothing?
6. Do you feel the love of God continually in your heart?
7. Have you a witness in whatever you speak or do, that is pleasing to God?

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SPIRITUAL LIFE STUDY RETREAT
April 27-28, 1968

Members of the Louisiana Conference Wesleyan Service Guild met at The Lodge in Hodges Gardens the weekend of April 27-28, 1968 for a Spiritual Life Study Retreat.

The study retreat planned by the Chairman of Spiritual Life Cultivation, Mrs. Milton C. Baldridge, was under the leadership of Mrs. John L. Howe, Jr., Secretary of Spiritual Life Cultivation of the Louisiana Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service.

The theme was "Treasure in Earthen Vessels." The purpose was:

1. To review our understanding of and belief about:
   (1) Our continuous search for wholeness
   (2) Our witness for Christ
   (3) The church
2. To discover how these three are related.
3. To become aware of what this relationship means to us.

The text book used was "A Theology For Christian Witnessing" by Harvey Potthoff.

The study retreat opened at 1:00 p.m. Saturday, April 27, 1968 with registration. Thirty-seven members, including Mrs. Howe, registered.

From the moment of the introduction of the study retreat by Mrs. Howe, with the giving of the setting and the challenge, the group entered into the study wholeheartedly.

In encounter groups they discussed the question of saying "yes to life" and working out a definition for the "church."

In individual meditation, passages from the Bible were read and studied, thinking of "ways God's love could change your life."

As we come to the close of the time together in the study retreat we had a fresh awareness of what the "church" is and of the power and love of God in our life.

PROPOSED CHANGES IN STANDING RULES
OF THE LOUISIANA CONFERENCE WESLEYAN SERVICE GUILD
March, 1968

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Amend Standing Rule 7c to read:

> Expenses of the following Conference Guild Committee members to the Conference Guild Weekend shall be paid from the Conference Cultivation Fund: the Conference Secretary, the Recording Secretary, the Chairmen of Lines of Work, co-opted Guild members to the committee, and Woman's Society members on the committee. (Amended, March, 1968)

Amend Standing Rule 7e to read:

> Expenses of the Conference Secretary, the Recording Secretary, and the Chairmen of Lines of Work who attend the Jurisdiction Guild Weekend and the Regional School of Christian Mission shall be paid from the Conference Cultivation Fund. If four or fewer of this group attend, travel shall be in one car, and seven cents per mile shall be paid from the Conference Cultivation Fund. If five or more persons make up the official delegation, the expenses of two cars at seven cents per mile each car

shall be paid from the Conference Cultivation Fund. Travel to and from the place of meeting of an official car shall be paid by the Conference. If any designated person elects to travel by means other than above, she shall do so at her own expense. (Amended March, 1968)

Amend Standing Rule 7f to read:

Expenses of the two elected delegates to Jurisdiction Guild Weekend shall be paid from Conference Cultivation Fund. The two elected delegates shall travel in one car with an allowed expense of **seven cents per mile.** If they elect to travel in separate cars, they shall prorate the allowed expense of **seven cents per mile,** or **three and one-half cents per mile** per car. (Amended March, 1968)

Amend Standing Rule 7g to read:

Transportation by car for members of the Conference Guild Committee on official business within the Conference shall be allowed at **seven cents per mile.** Car pools are recommended and care should be exercised to accommodate four persons in a car whenever possible. When conference and district officers of the Wesleyan Service Guild and the Woman's Society of Christian Service and other riders travel together in a car, each person should share in the expense of the car, the conference officer charging her pro-rata share to the conference, and the district officer charging hers to the district, and the other riders assuming their share in the expenses of the car. (Amended March, 1968)

Add Rule 11 to read:

The retiring Conference Secretary of Wesleyan Service Guild shall be a member of the Conference Guild Committee for one year following her term of office. (March, 1968)

Add Rule 12 to read:

A member of the Conference Guild Committee shall be a member of the District Guild Committee of the district wherein she resides. (March, 1968)

Add Rule 13 to read:

The Recording Secretary shall be the designated person to assist the Historian for the Conference Woman's Society and Wesleyan Service Guild in securing information, particularly related to the Wesleyan Service Guild, for the historical records of the Conference Guild and Society. (March, 1968)

STANDING RULES OF THE LOUISIANA CONFERENCE WESLEYAN SERVICE GUILD

RULE 1. At the Annual Spring Meeting and the Guild Weekend there shall be one voting delegate for each 20 members or major fraction thereof in each local unit. Each unit shall have at least one voting delegate.

RULE 2. (a) Conference Guild Committee Meetings. There shall be at least two meetings of the Conference Guild Committee each year. One of these shall be in connection with the annual Spring Meeting. The other shall be a mid-year meeting, the date to be designated by the Administrative Committee.

(b) There shall be a program of training in Guild work within each district, to be directed by the district Guild committee.

RULE 3. CHRISTIAN SERVICE TIMES: (a) The Wesleyan Service Guild shall, in cooperation with the Women's Society of Christian Service, publish a newspaper for promotion of Conference work.

(b) For the publication of this paper, there shall be a Committee composed of the Editor, who shall be the Chairman, two Assistant Editors, and a Circulation Manager. The Editors shall be appointed by the Conference President of the Women's Society, after consultation with the Conference Secretary of the Wesleyan Service Guild. One Assistant Editor shall be a member of the Women's Society and one a member of the Wesleyan Service Guild, each selected after consultation with the Editor. The Circulation Manager shall be appointed by the Editor.

RULE 4. Committee on Nominations: (a) the Committee on Nominations shall be elected by the Conference Guild.

(b) Three members of the Committee shall be elected during the second year of the quadrennium and two members during the fourth year of the quadrennium.

(c) The Chairman of the Committee shall be elected at the second and fourth years of the quadrennium from the members of the Committee on Nominations by the Conference Guild Committee.

RULE 5. A Committee on Journal shall be oppointed at each meeting to review the minutes of the Recording Secretary before they are mailed out to the members of the Conference Guild Committee. Such mailing shall be made as soon as possible after each meeting.

RULE 6. The two elected delegates to Jurisdiction Guild Weekend shall be Guild members of the Conference Guild Committee.

RULE 7 Finances: (a) Expenses of the Annual Spring Meeting shall be paid from the Conference Cultivation Fund. This includes expenses of the members of the Conference Guild Committee.

(b) Expenses of the members of the Conference Guild Committee to the mid-year meeting of the Conference Guild Committee shall be paid from the Conference Cultivation Fund.

(c) Expenses of the following Conference Guild Committee members to the Conference Guild Weekend shall be paid from the Conference Cultivation Fund: the Conference Secretary, the Recording Secretary, the Chairmen of Lines of of Work, co-opted Guild members to the committee, and Women's Society members on the committee.

(d) Expenses of the District Secretaries to the Conference Guild Weekend shall be paid from District Cultivation Funds.

(e) Expenses of the Conference Secretary, the Recording Secretary, and the Chairmen of Lines of Work who attend the Jurisdiction Guild Weekend and the Regional School of Christian Mission shall be paid from the Conference Cultivation Fund. If four or fewer of this group attend, travel shall be in one car, and seven cents per mile shall be paid from the Conference Cultivation Fund. If five or more persons make up the official delegation, the expenses of two cars at seven cents per mile each car shall be paid from the Conference Cultivation Fund. Travel to and from the place of meeting of an official car shall be paid by the Conference. If any designated person elects to travel by means other than above, she shall do so at her own expense.

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(h) All expense accounts shall be approved by the Conference Secretary.

(i) All funds over and above expenses at any conference meeting, with the exception of special offerings shall be directed to Conference Cultivation Fund.

(j) The Conference Treasurer shall distribute all funds.

RULE 8. Cultivation Fund: The district cultivation fund shall be on the basis of 30¢ per members.

RULE 9. The Committee on Bylaws and Standing Rules shall have the authority to incorporate into the Conference and District Bylaws any changes made by the Women's Division, and to make needed editorial changes.

RULE 10. When death occurs among members of the Conference Guild Committee, to members of their immediate families, or to relatives living within their homes, an "In Remembrance Gift" of $5.00 shall be sent as a memorial.

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